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## Remember the Orphanage at Thanksgiving

Dr. H. W. Virgin just closed a good revival with the First Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn.—L. B. Cobb, Pastor.

Preachers often exhort sinners to turn to the Lord early in life, not to take a chance on missing their opportunity and not to come and give the Lord the poor fragment of life at the end. Now, preachers, let me exhort you to join the Relief and Annuity Board in its plans for taking care of disabled preachers. Don't take a chance on being left out. And don't wait till the frazzle end of life to get in by the skin of your teeth. Deal fairly with the Board and with your brethren.

Home Coming Day at Mississippi College last Saturday brought the largest crowd for several years, in spite of unfavorable weather. By vote of the Alumni in May this was made Provine Day this year in honor of the former president who has served in the college longer than any other man ever has. In the Alumni building a reception was given to all friends of the college. Dr. and Mrs. Provine, their daughter, daughter-in-law and grandson were in the receiving line. Pastor J. L. Sullivan presided at the chapel. Prof. Slater gave two favorite solos. Mr. Robert Gandy made the presentation speech when the portrait of Dr. Provine was unveiled and given to the college. He made a striking and sensible address. President Nelson received the portrait with an appropriate address. Dr. Provine made a brief address which was well received. It so happened that this writer has been longer acquainted with Dr. Provine than any other person in the audience. We were fellow students at the University, and for twelve years I was his pastor in Clinton during which time he was elected deacon and Sunday School superintendent. It has been a great joy to see the progress he made and the service he rendered the denomination. But the honors of the oldest alumni go to Dr. J. G. Chastain and Governor A. H. Longino. There were many other prominent visitors present who were students of Dr. Provine. He is still active and in vigorous health though retired because of the age limit imposed by the trustees.

Shelby, N. C.: Last night we closed the most successful School of Missions that our church has ever had. We had as our guest speakers and teachers Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Harris of Kaifeng, China. They spoke to more than three thousand people during their four days with us in our church here, at Boiling Springs Junior College, out from here, and to a thousand of our high school students. Our people heard them gladly; they, in fact, thrilled our people. They are great missionaries, and our people are more concerned about missions because of their lives and labors in our midst.—Zeno Wall, Pastor.

Pastor W. S. Landrum has resigned Mountain Creek, a fourth-time church in Rankin County, and will give that time to Ebenezer Church in Holmes County, near his boyhood home.

Nearing his eightieth birthday and after sixty years in the ministry, Dr. Carter Helm Jones resigns the pastorate at Williamsburg, Va. He will still preach as occasion offers.

Rev. Z. T. Sullivan becomes pastor for the third time at Cheneyville, La., going from Forest in the same state. Brother Sullivan is one of our Mississippi men, who married Miss Amelia Foster of Clinton.

First Church, Hammond, La., secured J. W. Wood as pastor, succeeding E. D. Elliott, who is an army chaplain.

The retiring editor has been asked and has promised to write for several of our Baptist papers. It looks as if he will have few idle moments.

## Harmonizing Humanity With Heaven

(Sermon preached at Mississippi Baptist Convention in Meridian on November 11, 1941, by J. H. Street, Durant, Mississippi.)

Scripture: Isaiah 55

Earth is as much the rightful domain of the Almighty as heaven is. The sons of men were created to be the sons of God; and righteousness, love, and peace should be as prevalent down here as they are over there where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Sadly enough this is not true; and we find Isaiah discussing in the entire 55th chapter of his writings the task of the ages; viz., that of harmonizing humanity with heaven.

I. Man is a Long Way From God

The whole passage regards man as tragically out of touch with God. He is referred to as thirsty and hungry, poor, misguided, pursuing false hopes, in need of mercy, wicked, unrighteous, and living in a desert land among thorns and briers. In the very heart of the chapter is set the striking statement, “—my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord” (vs. 8). A vivid figure is then added to emphasize the separation of men from God: “—as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts” (vs. 9).

With this view of man's complete disharmony with God agree the whole of Scripture teachings. Man is a long way from God in his nature. Rom. 8:7—“the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.” Eph. 2:3—“and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.” Gal. 5:17—“For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit and the spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.” We were, indeed, shapen in iniquity and in sin did our mothers conceive us.

Man is a long way from God in his standards. Rom. 12:2—“And be not conformed to this world:” rather, be conformed to “that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.” James stresses the variance between human and heavenly standards when he says (Jas. 4:4), “Know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.” Paul indignantly accuses the people of the Corinthian church of following human, rather than divine standards. I Cor. 3:3—“For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?” Here the expression “walk as men” really means walk according to man; i. e., follow human patterns of conduct.

Man is remote from God also in his chief life objectives. Christ has commanded that we “seek . . . first the kingdom of God,” with the understanding that all other necessary things are to be subordinated to this great aim. But man seeks first five other things: pleasure, profit, popularity, prominence and power.

We are distant from God in character and behaviour. Romans 3:10—“There is none righteous, no, not one”; that is, no human character is perfectly pleasing to God. Isaiah 53:6—“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way—”; Matt. 7:13, 14—“Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many

there be that go in thereat: because strait is the gate and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.” Rom. 3:23—“For all have sinned, (in the past) and (do now) come short of the glory of God.”

Indeed, our thoughts are not His thoughts. Our thoughts are of time; His are of eternity. Our thoughts are of self; He wants us to think of Him and of others. We think of getting; He wants us to think of giving. We think how we may be ministered unto; He wants us to think of ministering. Our thoughts are of indulgence; He wants us to think of restraint. Our thoughts are of dollars and cents; He wants us to think of Heavenly treasures. Our thoughts are of comfort; His are of consecration. We think of gaiety through gratification of passions; He wants us to think of happiness through obedience and service.

And our ways are not His ways. Our way is self-sufficiency; we want to bring water out of the rock by our own strokes; He wants us to rely upon Him for all our needs and to give Him the glory for all that is done. Our way is a cash-raising campaign, raffle sales and pie suppers; His way is to bring all the tithes into the storehouse on the first day of the week, as the Lord has prospered us; for God loves a cheerful giver. Our way is to get angry if we are not asked to sing all the solos in the choir; His way is to take the lowest room when we are bidden to a fast, knowing that he that exalteth himself shall be abased; while he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. Our way is to ask that our two sons be allowed to sit, the one on His right hand, and the other on the left, in positions of preferment which they do not merit. His way is to drink of a cup and to be baptized with a baptism of sacrificial devotion to duty, and thus to raise our rank in the kingdom. Our way is to be careful that the pastor pays enough attention to us; His way is to help the pastor give attention to others. Our way is to see the mote in our brother's eye; His way is for us to pull out the beam that is in our own eye.

Our way is the honkey-tonk, the dance hall, the road house, the night club. His way is temperance, self-control, sobriety. Our way is literature reeking with moral degradation; His way is literature that would at least leave men's thoughts on decent levels. Our way is entertainment that stimulates sex passions with nudeness, and lewdness, and crudeness of screen and stage; His way is wholesome modesty that would seek to elevate our reverence for womanhood. Our way is to tax liquor that damns men's souls and get the revenue; His way is to look not upon the wine when it is red and to know that at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder. Our way is to oppress the poor and to get rich by injustice to the unfortunate; His way is to do to others as we would have others to do to us. Our way is to divorce our companions for the slightest excuse and thus destroy the home; His way is: “What God hath joined together let no man put asunder.” Our way is to get into office by questionable politics and to feather our nests by hook or by crook while we are in. His way is government for the welfare of the governed. Our way is revenge; His way is forgiveness. Our way is war; His way is peace. Our way is big guns and B-19 bombers; His way is for His people, who are called by His name,

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## Sparks and Splinters

Dr. Fred Smith has resigned the pastorate of First Church, Greenville. He came to Mississippi about five years ago, and to one of the great churches of the state. The city of Greenville had the largest percentage of growth of any city in Mississippi in the past ten years. Recently two churches have been organized in Greenville. Dr. Smith's plans have not been announced.

We are sorry to lose Rev. Joe Canzoneri from Mississippi. He was converted some twenty-five years ago, educated at Mississippi College and Southwestern Seminary. He is greatly beloved by all our people. He is known and honored far and wide for his work as evangelist and singer. His family and he are held in high esteem in Clinton, where they have long held their membership. He goes in January to Lebanon Junction, Ky., where he succeeds Rev. Andy Tate, another Mississippian who recently went to Georgia.

Rev. Gypsy Smith, Jr., who is preaching in a revival meeting in First Church, Jackson, preached Thursday of last week in the Baptist Church in Clinton. The two colleges, the public school and the people of the town turned out in full force to hear him. He preached a great sermon, especially to young people. He draws upon a rich and varied experience of grace and of life to enrich his message. On Friday at the First Church in Jackson a dinner was given in his honor, to which many friends of the city were invited.

The first engagement the retiring editor has made after he leaves the office is to go to a church and speak in the interest of The Baptist Record.

The Carmel Baptist Church, Lawrence County, ordained to the gospel ministry Rev. James Earl Drane, a ministerial student of Clarke College. Brother Drane is pastor of Bethesda Church, Jefferson County. Brother Maxey Nelson and Brother E. E. Hedgepeth assisted the pastor in the ordination, the pastor preaching the ordination sermon.—D. O. Horne, Pastor.

McCool: Rev. J. B. Laney has been called as pastor at McCool to succeed Rev. N. H. Roberts who has resigned effective January first.

Hollandale: Four additions by baptism, a married lady for baptism, the week before and the EVERY FAMILY Plan are recent happenings at Hollandale.—J. B. Smith, Pastor.

Rev. Virgil Ratcliff has begun his work at Crosby, succeeding Rev. W. C. Wood, who went to Ponchatoula, La. He found the pantry stocked by the W. M. S., Mrs. H. A. Martin, president. A heater was installed in the parsonage, a sumptuous meal ready and the house otherwise adorned. Brother Ratcliff is happy to be back in Mississippi and asks an interest in your prayers.

Delta Association was organized at a meeting in Riverside Church, Greenville, in October. Rev. Charles M. Anders is moderator and Mr. W. M. Cole, clerk. The churches composing the association are Swiftwater, Riverside, Ferriday, Mayersville, and Valley Park. An Executive Committee was appointed consisting of the pastors and J. V. Bengé, Jack Leachman, T. G. Harris, W. M. Cole and W. C. Newman. Rev. E. C. Farr was elected a member of the Convention Board. Mrs. W. M. Cole is W. M. U. Associational Superintendent; Mrs. E. T. Leachman, Vice-Superintendent; Mrs. A. B. Quinn, Secretary-Treasurer; W. C. Newman is Associational Superintendent. Rev. L. L. Nicholson, Brotherhood Superintendent; George Coleman, Jr., B. T. U. Superintendent, and Rev. E. C. Farr, Associational Missionary.

Baptist people who have for years hastened to get a copy of "Points For Emphasis" will be glad to get the 1942 edition brought out by the Sunday School Board in Nashville. This is a succinct commentary on the Sunday School Lessons for next year. There is nobody who gets more into the same amount of space than Dr. Hight C. Moore who brings out this, the twenty-fifth volume. It can be carried in the pocket, has nearly 200 pages with a large assortment of helps, has no waste space and sells for 35 cents at the Baptist Book Store.

Eighteen members of the office force in the rooms of the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond decided to send to China Relief what they would give to one another as Christmas presents. It amounted to \$95.00 or \$1900.00 in China.

Mrs. Sallee says that never in her experience have the Chinese been so open to the gospel message. Surely this is a time to push the work.

In Colorado Springs there is a fine tract of land, just outside the city, where the Printers of America have put up a number of substantial buildings in which live a large number of men who have been disabled by poor health. They are tubercular patients who are cared for by the Union. All their expenses are met and they are made comfortable for life or until they regain their health. Recently a good friend of ours, who had helped to get out The Baptist Record, failed in health, a victim of tuberculosis. The first question we asked was whether or not he had kept up his connection with the Union, and was eligible to the benefit of this printers' home. We were told that he had not. And we thought of the multitude of Baptist preachers in Mississippi who now may avail themselves of the annuity plan of Southern Baptists. Many of them have; some others will. But some will neglect it to their sorrow and loss.

There are only two things that keep the liquor business going. They are the love of money and a depraved bodily appetite. These are the two lowest down sins in the world. The love of money, in the Bible, is called idolatry. Idolatry is the denial of the claims of the true God, and is high treason against heaven; the worst offense of which a man can be guilty. A depraved appetite is the disease of a man of whom Paul says his god is his belly, and that he is the enemy of the Cross of Christ. But for these two basest of sins, the liquor business would not live twelve months. The people who make liquor, the people who sell liquor, the people who advertise liquor are all in the same class. They sell their souls for filthy lucre.

The Gist of Christian Doctrine is the title of Dr. B. J. W. Graham's new book, which is just from the press. Mechanically, it is a beauty, and in its 120 pages is recorded the very cream of what he has learned about the teachings of the Bible in his more than fifty years in the ministry and twenty years as Editor of The Christian Index. Dr. Graham now lives in Palmetto, Ga., and will sell his new book at the nominal price of only \$1.00.

Pastor L. T. Hastings of First Church, Monroe, La., welcomed more than sixty new members in a meeting in which he was helped by Dr. J. D. Grey of New Orleans.

### AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTEREST T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary

An attractive Sunday school lesson periodical especially adapted to the needs and interests of service men has been prepared by the Sunday School Board and the first issue, covering next quarter's lessons, will be ready for distribution about December 1. It is called ON DUTY and comes in appropriate design for use by young men in our country's services. A space is provided for the name of the individual receiving the periodical and the name of the church presenting it.

The departure of many young men for military training camps has in it elements of challenge and opportunity for every church. Certainly all means of sustaining these young men spiritually, both now and for the future, must be used. One practical means is through Bible study and good literature.

Sending literature regularly to the boys from your congregation, and others whose names you might secure from the chaplains, would help the churches adjacent to the military camps, would deepen the interest of your own people, would greatly encourage the boys to continue their church attendance, and where that is impossible would offer them a well-rounded course of Bible study and spiritual cultivation.

Doubtless every pastor will want to be supplied regularly with this periodical and send it with an appropriate letter each quarter to the men of his church and to others who are away in military service. The price is ten cents per quarter and should be included in your regular order for literature.

## Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

### "KEEP AN EYE ON THEM"

One of the finest habits a pastor can cultivate is that of carefully scanning the faces of his congregation at each regular service. Throughout my ministry I have done this. I make no effort to remember who is at church, but at each service while a hymn is being sung, or the collection is taken I carefully run my eyes over the face of every person there. By doing this in the week that follows as I meet people here and there, I remember if they were or were not at church. Whenever I meet one at church, who is irregular in his attendance, I invariably say to him that I was so glad to see you at church Sunday. When I meet one who is of regular attendance but who missed the last Sunday, he beams when I tell him I missed him. When I meet others who have been absent two Sundays, I tell them that I have missed them. This is useful in many ways. It enables a preacher to keep up with his flock in the matter of their church going.

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The Rev. W. W. Enete, missionary of the Foreign Board in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and his son, Happy, and the Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus, missionary of the Home Board to Jews, are guest-patients in the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans.

Exactly 1,400 patients were admitted to the Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans during the month of October.

Dr. Vernon H. Cowser of Hermosa Beach, California, is visiting relatives in Mississippi and is in position to serve as supply for any pulpits during his sojourn, or to be useful in any capacity. He may be addressed Care Mrs. P. S. Cowser, Doddsville, Rt. 1, Box 88, until Dec. 14.

Calvary Baptist Church, Vicksburg, Highway 3, now has the services of a pastor for full time, Rev. Glynn Miller, a student in Mississippi College. The young people are taking an active part in the work. Dave Ellison is Sunday School superintendent. Miss Sibyl Davis is director of the B. T. U. A. S. Davis is president of the B. A. U. All of these organizations are flourishing, and the interest continues to grow. The prayer meeting is attracting good crowds and awakening interest. The members are urging all the people to come.

They say that a cuckoo never builds a nest of its own but lays its eggs in the nests of other birds. We don't know much about cuckoos but we do know that modernists never built a theological seminary, but they have laid their eggs in many orthodox schools until the schools have become beds of the rankest modernism.

Enon Church, Panola County, is one year old, has a membership of 52. There are 87 enrolled in Sunday School with Mr. Jodie Rodgers superintendent. There are four classes; we lack room for proper classification. Plans are in mind for enlargement. We feel that good progress has been made.—Mrs. J. E. Tedford.

Fellowship Church, Lauderdale County, has a fine group of folks, a flourishing Sunday School and B. T. U. and plan to organize a Brotherhood. This is a large rural community, and the church membership is over 300. Last Sunday many renewed their vows to God. Pastor Houston Fitzgerald says The Baptist Record is read, digested and often quoted. It has lifted the horizon of the people from merely local matters to world-wide needs. It has given the people a vision, and it is the pastor's prayer that they may be obedient to the vision.

Prof. Chester Swor is one of the speakers before the Texas B. T. U. Convention meeting at Fort Worth, Nov. 20-22.



### COORDINATION: A CONCLUDING WORD (Chester E. Swor)

This is the last of my articles on the subject of coordinating Woman's College with Mississippi College in Clinton. I feel that with this article I shall have accomplished the purpose which I set out to accomplish—namely, to acquaint Mississippi Baptists as fully as possible with a third alternative in the settlement of the Woman's College problem. My purpose has been simply to inform, to answer several questions which would normally be raised, and to quell any undue fears that Woman's College would lose its identity through co-ordination.

Scores of people have written, called, and otherwise sent me indications of hearty approval of the suggested coordination. Among those who have responded to endorse the idea are ministry, former faculty members of Woman's College, former trustees of Woman's College, a large group of lay-Baptists, and many alumnae of M. W. C. There are only two questions which I wish to answer in conclusion.

First, "Should not the present arrangement of renting the Woman's College properties be continued for two or three years in order to retire indebtedness?" Since coordination could occur without disposition of the buildings in Hattiesburg, the rental arrangement could continue as long as the denomination desires. It would be possible to begin the coordinated Woman's College in Clinton next Fall and permit the Hattiesburg properties to continue in the present arrangement. My point is this: Why must we, therefore, wait two or three years to make a final decision as to the future of the college? We are losing patronage, time, and personal interest to wait another two years to start or re-start a Woman's College.

Second, "Are you going to present any such resolution at Meridian?" The answer is an emphatic **NO!** I shall not even be present in the Meridian convention. For many weeks I have been engaged to speak during that week in a distant city; hence, I could not be present in Meridian if I desired. I have not the slightest desire to do more than I have done: to acquaint Mississippi Baptists with a new plan. I respect the integrity, sincerity, and intelligence of our convention to the point that I am willing to leave these suggestions to their consideration and judgment. I am democratically Baptist enough to abide happily by their decision. Please let it be clearly understood that I have not asked anyone to present this matter in the Meridian convention. Anyone who says anything about it before the convention will certainly be doing so at his own initiative and not at my suggestion.

#### Patience?

I am not impetuous enough to suggest that something must be done now or never. If it is the deliberate, unbiased judgment of the convention that such action should be delayed, then I shall happily concur in its judgment. Yet, I do hope that the convention will at least manifest its willingness to consider the project of coordination—perhaps through the appointment of a capable, non-partisan committee which will be instructed to look into all the involvement of coordination. Would this not be the only fair thing to do? I would not wish the coordination to occur without the situation's being gone into fully with all possible groups; neither should others wish the present Woman's College status to be perpetuated without its being gone into fully with all possible groups. Let us be fair in the solution; then we shall have a basis for happy support of our program throughout all the years.

#### Meanwhile . . .

What shall we do with the Baptist patronage which is denied accommodation because of the Woman's College suspended status? Scores of parents have been urging Mississippi College to accept their daughters, but we have neither the tradition, the curriculum, or the facilities to accommodate them—even if the college were co-educational. If it ever becomes co-educational, it will lose its distinctive characteristic of greatness as a "West Point for training of Baptist lay-leadership." Is it feasible that the Baptists acquire Hillman now to use for girls temporarily; later, if Woman's College re-opens as an independent institution at Hattiesburg, Hillman could be jointly

### SOME SUGGESTIONS

Some years ago a number of families and Associations were induced to erect cottages at Clarke College for the use of ministerial students. At that time the trustees voted to transfer the plot of land on which such cottages were being erected to the Board of Ministerial Education; but that was never done. About the same time, one Brother Sansing deeded a piece of property to Clarke College to be used for the benefit of Ministerial Students. To fulfill the promise of the college to those who provided the buildings and to unify and stabilize the efforts of Mississippi Baptists in behalf of Ministerial Education I suggest that the coming Convention instruct the Trustees of Clarke College to convey such pieces of property to the Board of Ministerial Education to be handled in the interest of Ministerial Students.

Whereas, Mississippi Baptists, through the Convention Board, are lending support to those who are carrying on, so well, the work at Clarke College and whereas there are at the college a goodly number of worthy young men who are struggling to prepare themselves for efficient service in the ministry and whereas, some of these men are rendering faithful service in one of the needy sections of our state, my suggestion is that the Board of Ministerial Education be authorized and instructed to use a portion of the funds received, through the Co-operative Program and from the special Christian Education Day in the Sunday Schools, to aid such needy and worthy students at Clarke College. In this connection we would also suggest that the committee on Nominations be asked to nominate for the Board of Ministerial Education one or more men from the vicinity of Clarke College.

Thinking along the same line of fine Christian co-operation and mutual helpfulness, I am suggesting that whereas a surplus of perishable food and of second-hand clothing come to our Orphanage between Thanksgiving and Christmas, the Convention and the Board of Trustees of the Orphanage consider the advisability of sharing such surplus with our ministerial students at Mississippi and Clarke Colleges. These suggestions are made with best wishes for the progress of all our work. Be thinking them over.

Fraternally,

BRYAN SIMMONS.

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### SILAS COOPER GOES TO BIRMINGHAM

Again Alabama has taken one of Mississippi's good pastors. Rev. S. B. Cooper, for six years pastor at Calvary Church, Tupelo, goes to 35th Avenue Church, Birmingham. He begins his pastorate there on December first.

Pastor Cooper has done an outstanding work at Tupelo. The membership has grown from 200 to 788 with an average of 129 additions per year. Total contributions for this time have been \$125,309, with \$24,017 of this going to causes beyond the local field. During Brother Cooper's pastorate a \$75,000 church building and an \$8,000 pastor's home have been erected. And both buildings are paid for. Brother Cooper has taken an active part in denominational affairs for five years. He has been a member of the Convention Board and for the last two years he has been a member of the Executive Committee and of the Education Commission.

Mrs. Cooper has also been active in all phases of the church life. In addition to her local church work, she is District Young People's Leader and a member of the W. M. U. Executive Board.

coordinated with Woman's College and Blue Mountain—the girls finishing at Hillman and going to either of our senior colleges for women to finish their degrees? I have not thought this suggestion through; I am simply trying to help all of us think through what is an immediate and pressing need. The convention will certainly have my earnest prayers—not that my suggestion necessarily be followed, but that we shall find and follow HIS will in the matter. May God bless and guide our convention!

In abiding fellowship,

CHESTER E. SWOR.

### WHY MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE FAILED TO GET THE PATRONAGE

"Don't overlook the fact that Woman's College was closed because of a lack of patronage, not money."

Dr. J. W. Lee in his article in The Baptist Record headed, "Our College Problems and Their Solution," made the statement quoted above, and it is absolutely true. For several years that was my contention in the meetings of the trustees of the College, and that until the cause of that lack was removed, nothing permanent could be done about keeping the College open. Any remedy that the trustees might try to apply would result only in the prolongation of the illness and misery. Brother Lee was correct in that statement.

But then he continues: "As to why Woman's College did not get an adequate patronage, I have no answer," and then he goes on to give the answer by placing the responsibility on those who do not deserve it. I believe that I can throw some light on the question.

Was it the fault of the trustees of the College? I answer, not as a trustee, because I do not deserve any credit for the hours of work and worry exercised by those trustees who lived in Hattiesburg or the nearby territory. They are the ones who shouldered the load. Those long meetings lasting until early in the morning when in a prayerful mood those in attendance would try to solve the problems of the College and devise means for holding the school open "until the convention would meet and do something to put the College on a strong financial basis," testify to the fact that the trustees were doing everything they could. They did things that they knew would subject them to criticism, but those things were necessary if the College were to remain open. What cared they for criticism? More could be written about this.

Was it the fault of the Baptist people of South Mississippi, as stated by Bro. Lee? No more than it would be the fault of parents to remove their children from a public school building that was in danger of the roof falling in. Though I was a trustee of the College, if I had had a daughter ready to enter College, I could not have sent her to the Woman's College, during the past few years. And during that same time as a schoolman. I have not been able to recommend that our graduates enter the Woman's College. The Baptists of South Mississippi are not to blame for failing to send their daughters to this school during these years of uncertainty of its continuance and accredited position.

Who then is at fault? Those who are responsible for the failure of the school to remain accredited and those responsible for the doubt of the discontinuation of the school. No matter how much you may dislike the requirements placed upon a college in order to be accredited, if there is an accredited college and one not accredited, parents are going to send their children to the accredited school. And Woman's College lost its standard rating because the Baptist denomination failed to provide the required financial support which had been promised. The fault lies with what Bro. Lee affectionately calls "the convention." And the failure of the convention to provide this endowment lies on the shoulders of certain Baptist leaders controlling the convention who were unfriendly to the Woman's College and who had dreams of a Great Baptist University, similar to Millsaps, I suppose.

The fault also lies with those men who did not care for a Baptist girls' college in South Mississippi, who carried on a whispering campaign that Mississippi Woman's College was going to close. Today they would be called "fifth columnists." No parent wants to send his or her child to a college that reports say may not last longer than the present session. Certainly no young lady wants to attend such a school. No college could stand up against such fifth column activity.

The blame for the decreased patronage at Mississippi Woman's College lies with those who caused the Baptists of Mississippi to fail to provide the endowment for the college that had been promised it, and those who sought to destroy the college by means of a whispering campaign.

C. H. LIPSEY.



# EDITORIALS

## FINALLY, BRETHREN

There is scriptural justification for a final message to those with whom and for whom one has labored in the furtherance of the gospel. Paul called for the elders at Ephesus to meet him at Miletus and spoke to them a word of exhortation and farewell. He told them what sort of minister of Christ he had tried to be, and the motives which had inspired him. He also told them of some things which threatened the church. You will find it a model of its kind.

This writer in his final message as editor would not claim what Paul claims. He has made many mistakes, as must have been apparent. But he can truthfully say that he has sought in everything to know the will of God, and has honestly followed it as it has been revealed to him. He has not sought to please men. He has deliberately done some things which he knew at the time would displease men. This was not for the purpose of antagonizing any one, but that he might be faithful to his conviction as to what was the will of God. He has advocated things which some of his nearest friends did not approve, and at the peril of alienating them. He has done this when it seemed to mean a financial loss. But none of these things moved him. He sought to know and speak only what was true and right in the sight of God.

There are people who think that an editor ought not to have convictions about matters in which there is difference of opinion; ought not to discuss even scriptures about which people differ. That is not our opinion. On the contrary, a man who is without convictions about things in which even good people differ is spineless and unfit for leadership.

We have never felt ourselves answerable to men, but to God. In this way we have had liberty of utterance and have not failed to use it. We have sought to do this with all due consideration for others, with a desire to help and not to hurt. If we have unwittingly offended we ask forgiveness of God and the brethren.

When we undertook this work, nearly thirty years ago, we put at the top of page one the motto, "Thy Kingdom Come." We meant just that, for it was the uppermost desire of our souls; we wished that this should be the mission of The Baptist Record. In fulfillment of this we have sought to advocate, uphold and foster every truth which Baptists believe, and every institution which they have established and through which they seek to serve their generation according to the will of God. We call upon God to witness that we have fought for every institution and agency which Mississippi Baptists and Southern Baptists have established. And this in spite of criticism and misunderstanding.

We have done this not only because of a sense of loyalty to the denomination, but because these agencies were worthy of all that we had. We have been loyal to all that Baptists are doing and teaching because we could do it in all good conscience. We believe that God has guided our people in spite of our weaknesses. He will guide us to the end if we will trust in Him. We would have considered ourselves unfit for the office if we were not in heartiest sympathy and accord with the plans and purposes of Baptists. We have undertaken no lip service, and made no half-hearted effort.

We have been glad to work with our brethren. They are not perfect. We have faults, some of them grievous. If we work for the Lord we have to work with imperfect people. There is no other kind. It is work with them or not at all. Some brethren when they see faults in others, quit. They pull off and spend their energies in criticizing. This writer has worked with as good people as any man of our generation, but not one of all we have known has been without weakness or faults. The Lord has been looking for that sort of man a long time and has not found one.

We propose to continue working with the brethren. If conscience protests, we shall give it voice, but we must work together. As Paul said, "We are fellow workers." Yes, "We are God's fellow

## PERSECUTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

In the last of what has come to be known as the Beatitudes by Bible readers, Jesus reaches the climax of Christian character and service. Not everybody, not even every Christian, is persecuted for righteousness' sake. Many seem to escape opposition or suffering. There is a real question, not as to whether they are Christians, but as to their value to the kingdom of God. Some people are negative characters; they are passive in their attitude. They do not relish opposition. They shun anything provocative and prefer to "duck" when any aggressive campaign for righteousness is under way. They even claim credit to themselves that they are for peace. They do not like to "stir up something," and do not like those who do it. They had rather let well enough alone. They prefer to let things go on as they are. They believe in what the French call the "laissez faire" policy. Like Martha at the tomb of her brother Lazarus, they shy at bringing a person back to life, for fear of raising a stench.

But the Lord Himself was aggressive in goodness. He did not believe in letting things alone in the interest of a fictitious peace. His was a militant spirit. He said He came not to bring peace but a sword. He faced danger and never turned aside through fear, nor back through cowardice. Righteousness is not a Sunday dress, but a soldier's armor. One of His last admonitions was, "If you haven't a sword, you had better sell your coat and get one." Better be equipped with gunpowder than face powder. Holiness is righteousness white hot; it is goodness in armor. You do not have to carry a chip on your shoulder but it is well to have a sword in your hand.

Red hot righteousness provokes opposition. If you are a wide-awake Christian you will meet opposition. If you insist on righteousness you will rouse the devil and all those who side with him. Nearly every state in the union has some martyr to the prohibition cause. Mississippi had its Rodrick Gambrell. If you want to start a fight just take a slap at the drink devil. You will have all the hounds of hell yapping at your heels.

But get back to the beatitudes: "Blessed are they that have been persecuted for righteousness' sake." Now look carefully when you read the Bible; get it straight. First notice that this series of beatitudes closes on the same note with which it began: "Theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Notice also the past tense here: "That have been persecuted." He joins these disciples with God's witnesses of the past. "The prophets that were before you" are our example of faithfulness and our inspiration in the face of suffering. Ours is a common task. They are incomplete without us, and their mission cannot be counted a success if we fail. "That apart from us they should not be made perfect." Heb. 11:46. We enable them to fulfill their mission and they help us to fulfill ours.

Notice how easily He changes from "blessed are they" to "blessed are ye." So easily that you

workers." We are all working for Him. The Lord knows that some of us are a poor lot, but He still uses imperfect instruments.

We must express our appreciation to all those who have helped in any way to make The Baptist Record an acceptable and effective instrument of service. We will not call names, for some might be left out at the moment who are deserving of special mention.

Our fellowship is with all who love and serve the Lord. The Baptists of Mississippi have been good and kind and generous with me. They have first place in my heart and shall through all my days be the special objects of my prayers. I have had the most cordial fellowship with those with whom I have labored. Next door to the editor's office are the rooms of the State W. M. U. officials and helpers. It is amazing the amount of work they do, and the results that come from it. I call them my "Information Bureau," for they "have oft refreshed me" with their help.

The blessings of Almighty God, our Heavenly Father be on all these, on all who read the Record, on all who help to bring in His kingdom, upon all our leaders and pastors, upon all who love the Lord in sincerity. Amen and Amen.

hardly noticed it. They are already enjoying their possession in the kingdom of heaven, and we follow in their train."

We are traveling home to God,  
In the way our fathers trod;  
They are happy now and we  
Soon their happiness shall see.

Persecution does not always involve physical violence. That might even awaken sympathy for the victim of persecution. But a slanderous word may be even more effective. They may "reproach you" and "say all manner of evil against you." A sneer, an innuendo, a slanderous remark, a poison word will hurt worse than stones thrown at your head.

There are two things which Jesus attaches to this effort to harm a faithful worker. First, it is "false," second it is "for my sake." It is these that make the persecution bring happiness to the servant of God. He can rejoice to suffer the reproach of Christ—for His sake.

We can rejoice now. And our joy will be increased in heaven. Great is your reward in heaven. It is worth waiting for. It is worth suffering for. We can glory in tribulation and we can rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

—BR—

"God Is My Fuehrer" is the sentence used by Martin Niemöller when he defied Hitler. It was virtually what Peter and John said, "We must obey God rather than men." For this all were sent to prison. Niemöller is still in a concentration camp in Germany. His famous words are now used for a volume of twenty-eight sermons, the last that he preached. They are gathered by Thos. Man and published in a volume by Philosophical Library and Alliance Book Corporation for \$2.75 a volume. Hardly any preacher of our generation has attracted as much attention as Niemöller and many people in America will be glad to get these 28 sermons, and know something of the spirit of the man who defied Hitler.

Pleasant Hill Church, DeSoto County, ordained Brother Jesse Daugherty to the ministry Oct. 19. Rev. H. J. Rushing presided. Rev. M. A. Younger was secretary. Rev. E. C. Horton led the examination. Rev. J. Milstead of Millington, Tenn., and W. E. Lyles of Memphis were also members of the council. Rev. H. J. Rushing preached from 2d Timothy 4:5, "Make full proof of your ministry." Rev. W. E. Lyles led in the ordination prayer, after which the presbytery laid hands on the candidate; after which the congregation gave him the hand of fellowship. It was a time of spiritual refreshing. Brother Daugherty has been called to the pastorate at Capleville, Tenn. The prayers of his brethren accompany him.

The commanding officer of his regiment says of Chaplain P. F. Herring: "Chaplain Herring has performed his duties in an excellent manner while at this station. He is energetic, enthusiastic, capable and industrious. I am well pleased to have a chaplain who is so well qualified with so little service experience."

Alabama Baptist Convention meets in Montgomery Nov. 11-13. Dr. H. C. Bass, formerly pastor in Meridian, now pastor in Bessemer, Ala., will preach the sermon.

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Dear Christian Friends:

As the Thanksgiving season approaches we know that you have many things for which you are thankful. Many blessings have come into the lives of all of us which are too numerous for us to count.

As you know, this is also the time of year when we are thinking of the many boys and girls who have been committed to the Baptists of Mississippi for support and training. It is in their behalf that I come to you now as the superintendent or the adopted father, asking that you do your best to enlist your people and urge them to make a liberal contribution of food clothing and other necessities as well as a generous cash offering.

As usual, I am counting on the pastors, Sunday school superintendents, W. M. S. presidents, B. T. U. directors and president orphanage chairmen and presidents of the Brotherhoods to lead in this movement.

In almost every community in Mississippi money is being spent more freely than for many years heretofore. The Federal Government is turning loose billions of dollars into the channels of trade. Every community in Mississippi is sharing in this prosperity. Everybody has some money. Are the boys and girls of the Baptist Orphanage getting their share of it? If they do receive any portion of this money it will largely depend upon your efforts.

There may be some confusion this year as to the date on which Thanksgiving will be observed in your church. If this happens to be on the first Thanksgiving, November 20th, or the second Thanksgiving on November 27th, or if the Thanksgiving service is held on Sunday between these dates, before or after, please see that this matter is not overlooked.

Just how well the children of the Orphanage will be cared for during the winter months depends largely on this Thanksgiving offering for this is our main source of income during this period. The Orphanage has no endowment or income from other sources except the voluntary gifts of friends and the amount that is received through our Baptist Convention Board from the Cooperative Program receipts. The Convention realized the fact that this was not sufficient and that is the reason they allow us the privilege of making appeals on the two special days during the year, Mother's Day and Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is the one now at hand and is the one which demands our interest and support.

We are grateful for the manner in which you have responded to our appeals and the provision you have made in caring for the needs of the children, however, there are many things which the children need and could have been used to good advantage had we the necessary funds to supply these needs. We assure you that every contribution made will be used wisely efficiently and economically for the best interest of all the children concerned.

The Orphanage ministered to the needs of 218 boys and girls during the past year. While we are filled to capacity at the present time we have not refused admission of any child because of lack of room. The children are well fed, clothed, educated, receiving practical training and spiritual guidance.

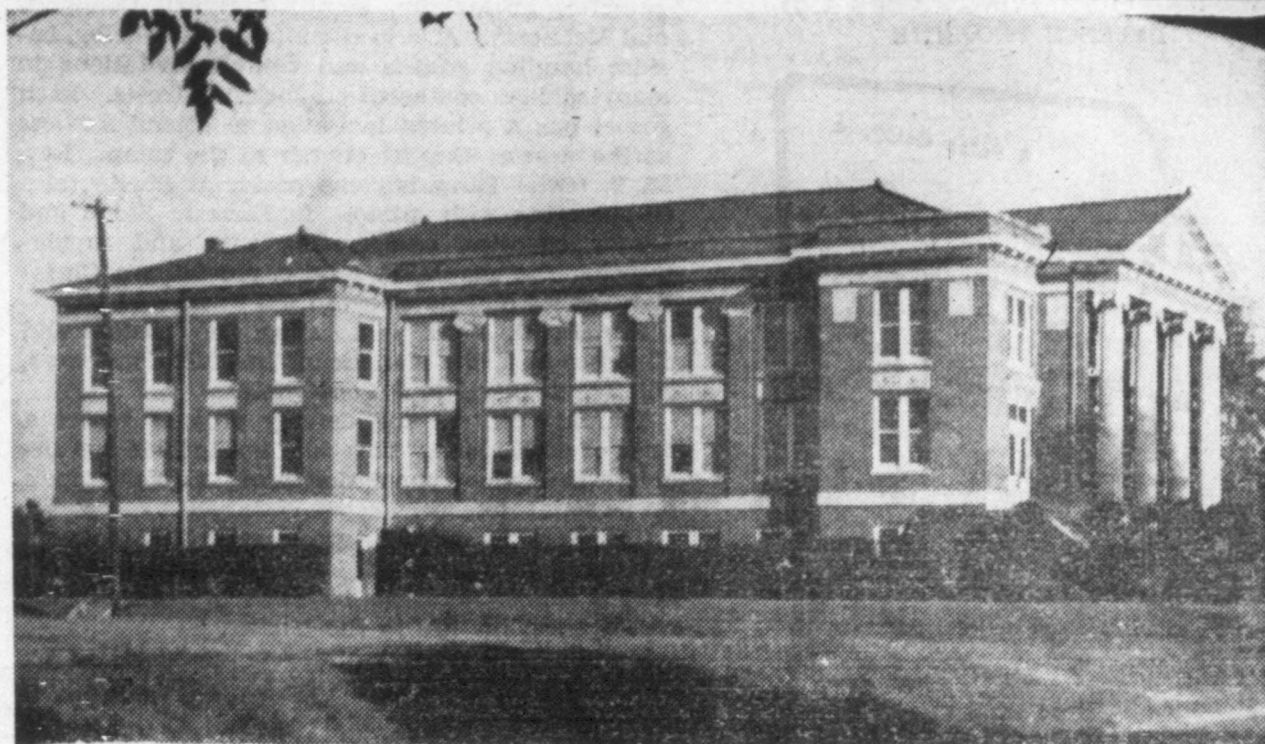
We are hopeful that this will be the best Thanksgiving in the history of the Orphanage. To a great extent this will depend largely upon your leadership. What will your answer be?

Gratefully yours,

W. G. MIZE, Superintendent.

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It may be that the common garden variety of folks does not know enough about economics to express an opinion, but somehow that class is going to be the most affected by efforts at price control and is going to be heard from in some way, even though it be in cries of anguish when they are crushed. To one of these it just doesn't make sense to talk about putting a ceiling on prices of everything but industrial labor and on farm products. To hold down the price of everything else and make an exception of these two is to catch the whole country between a rising floor and an immovable ceiling. Or it is making the pot boil but keeping the lid on air tight. Something has got to blow up and blow off.



First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Miss. November 16.



REV. R. K. CORDER

Pastor, First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Mississippi.

By Edythe W. McCraw

Philadelphia, Miss., November 3rd—(Special)—The First Baptist Church, this city, will be dedicated on Sunday, November 16th with the Reverend Henry W. Shirley of McAllen, Texas, delivering the dedicatory sermon. The Reverend Mr. Shirley was pastor of the church at the time of its erection. Reverend R. K. Corder, now pastor, is in charge of the day's special program.

This church, with a membership of eight hundred, has the distinction of being one of the most outstanding in the Southern Baptist Convention and is one of the few to obtain so high a rating in the different phases of work as outlined by the various boards.

The history of the church reaches back almost a century when the first organization was launched in 1850 by the late Reverend N. L. Clark, pioneer minister and organizer of east Mississippi. Prior to this time, missionaries were sent out by the Baptist board to hold services for the small group.

During the Civil War the organization was disrupted and not until January 26, 1875, was it started again. At this time the Board sent their representative, Reverend W. A. Hutson, to Philadelphia and a reorganization was perfected with ten charter members. This group included Mr. and Mrs. R. King, S. J. King, Sr., and S. J. King, Jr., G. I. King, J. H. Parker, M. A. Parker, M. N. Musgrove, S. F. Musgrove and Ann Barrier.

The early years were trying ones and the names of the families of R. King, George Yates, Z. T. Brantley, W. D. Hitt and J. C. Harrison appear on the records as standing faithful and carrying the church through to more substantial years.

The first Sunday school was organized in 1890 with the late Kirk Graves, superintendent. A reorganization was made in 1906 and this time the

Dedication Services will be held Sunday, No-

late L. J. Catledge, father of Turner Catledge, ace newspaper correspondent of Washington, D. C., was superintendent. The Board of Deacons also held their first organized meeting in the same year.

The Missionary Society first made its appearance in the local church in 1907 or 1908 with Mrs. J. D. King, president, and the late Mrs. George Yates, secretary.

The following ministers have served the church: W. A. Hutson, G. W. Rainer, A. Winstead, I. F. Gunn, R. M. Woodruff, L. B. Fancher, J. J. Ingram, Z. M. Dunn, F. M. Breland, E. J. Hill, G. S. Jenkins, J. W. Steen, B. Chaplain, M. J. Derrick, J. L. Hughes, T. J. Blass, W. Rufus Beckett, H. W. Shirley, Ernest L. Davis, D. A. (Scotch) McCall and R. K. Corder.

Four buildings have housed the congregation. The first church was located on West Beacon street in front of where the Mecca Hotel stands. A building was later erected on the lot now housing the Sanders Hotel, this being destroyed by fire in 1914. It is unusual in that the building replacing that one was erected while the church was without a pastor, being completed just after the late M. J. Derrick was called.

In 1924 the body had outgrown the quarters which had seemed adequate at the time of erection. A lot was purchased on the corner of Pecan and Myrtle streets and the present spacious building that is to be dedicated, was built. This was done during the pastorate of the Reverend H. W. Shirley.

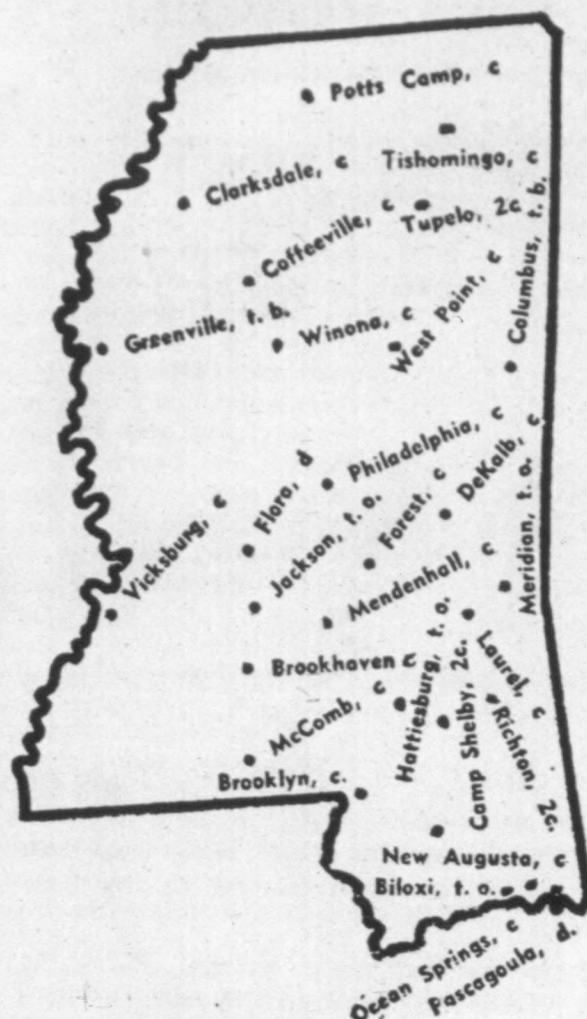
As was stated in the beginning, the church has grown until it is recognized as one of the outstanding in the Southern Baptist Convention. One of the few to ever obtain the advanced standard in Sunday school work, it has also obtained a like record in the work of the Woman's Missionary Society and the Baptist Training Union. The latter award is the first to have been made in Mississippi in the past ten years. Walker W. Jones is Sunday school superintendent, while Mrs. Irvin Woodal and Mrs. Everette S. Cole direct the activities of the Missionary Society and the Training Union, respectively.

Two young men have gone out as ministers from the church, Dr. Clyde L. Breland of Louisville, Ky., author and pastor, and Reverend Tildon McGee, of the U. S. Army, located at Camp Blanding. Three are now preparing for the ministry, Rush Glenn Miller and Riley Munday of Mississippi College, Clinton, and Walter McCraw, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. Miss Waudine Story was a member of the 1941 June Class of the Louisville Training School, Louisville, Ky., and Miss Maudine Phillips, senior at Blue Mountain College, will enter the same institution in September of 1942 preparing herself to go to the foreign field.

This church for the past eight decades has stood as a beacon light throughout Mississippi and the Southern Baptist Convention territory.



## MISSISSIPPI TRAINING CAMPS AND DEFENSE PROJECTS



## KEY TO INFORMATION

- 1 Training Camp Occupied—t.o.  
2 Training Camp Building—t.b.  
3 Training Camp in Prospect—t.p.  
4 Defense Project—d.  
5 C.C.C. Camp—c.

PLACE	MEN	NUMBER PROJECTS
1—Biloxi	8,000	1 t.o.
2—Hattiesburg	54,000	1 t.o.
3—Jackson	2,600	1 t.o.
4—Meridian	1,600	1 t.o.
1—Columbus	None yet	1 t.b.
2—Greenville	800	1 t.b.
1—Pascagoula	6,000	1 d.
2—Flora	3,000	1 d.
CCC's	4,300	22 c.

"But when Jesus saw the multitude, He was moved with compassion on them. . . ." Matt. 9:36. Certainly if Mississippi Baptists could look out over soldier camps and defense projects in our state and see the multitudes, we too would be moved with compassion on them. Soldier service and defense projects program began August 26, 1941.

Since, we have traveled by bus, train, and automobile approximately 2,300 miles, at a total cost of \$116.42 which covers our expense only to November 1, 1941. Our service is a labor of love.

Pastors have been contacted in Hattiesburg, Meridian, Jackson, Biloxi, Columbus and McLaurin, also prominent lay leaders in Pascagoula and other places already named. Chaplains have visited at Jackson frequently, also Meridian and Camp Shelby. Baptist nights with religious services by the local churches are being held in the chapels at both Jackson and Meridian. Briefly we have spoken at seven county associations, on the soldier work also keeping our people informed through The Baptist Record weekly. Meeting in two pastors' conferences, one at Wiggins with the Lebanon Association comprising Forrest, Stone and Lamar Counties—the area around Camp Shelby. Also one at Meridian. All recreation centers; the Lutheran Building, the Jewish Synagogue, and the American Legion Building have been visited in Hattiesburg.

We have co-operated and helped in planning fellowship hours in the larger Baptist churches throughout camp areas. Letters have been mailed through the Jackson office to many pastors over the entire state, requesting that prayers be offered regularly for the men in service, welcoming them publicly from the pulpit when attending services, reminding members of our churches to extend invitations into homes for lunch and social contacts. Letter writing and daily prayers also encouraged.

Tracts and gospels have been distributed to

churches in Jackson, Meridian, Biloxi, Columbus and McLaurin. Also to camp pastor at Shelby, besides handing gospels and church invitations to many soldiers contacted on Jackson streets. Each gospel has a printed invitation to attend services at the nearest Baptist church to the camp. Rev. M. E. (Otis) Perry is camp pastor at Shelby, also co-operating with pastors in Forrest, Stone and Lamar counties, co-operating with and supplementing the chaplain's service, providing a Christian service outside of camp.

Rev. E. D. Estes is assisting the pastors and churches in a like manner in the Gulf Coast area, chiefly at Biloxi and Pascagoula.

Training centers and defense projects report a total of 80,300 men. This does not include the increase in civilian population brought to our state by national defense.

Churches in defense areas report 18 soldiers making a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and 66 additions by letter and one soldier rededicating his life to the Master.

We ask your prayers and your co-operation as we render a Baptist service to service men in Mississippi.

Yours in His service,

FRED R. LANGLEY, Supervisor,  
Soldier Service and Defense Projects.

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HARMONIZING HUMANITY WITH HEAVEN  
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to humble themselves, and pray, and seek His face, and turn from their wicked ways.

Our way is "—adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like." His way is "love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, faith, meekness, temperance."

And God is an extremist. He makes no move to adjust Himself to our practices. He says bluntly that we are as far from Him as the heavens are above the earth. He makes no move to catch up with the times or revise His code of requirements. Just as the heavens do not bend closer to the earth through the centuries, so the thoughts and ways, the standards and ideals of God remain where they have been always. And because God is extremely high and man is extremely low, MAN REMAINS A LONG WAY FROM GOD.

## II. God Wants Man Harmonized With Himself

Like an instrument out of tune, man can be attuned anew. We have the capacity for fellowship with God, likeness to Him, and harmony with Him. It would be useless to point out the desperate failure and degraded condition of mankind unless there were a possibility that he might be made new. God made man in His own image and after His own likeness; and, though man has fallen to depths unspeakable, through the grace of Christ He may be lifted from his low estate and restored to divine favor and fellowship.

It is to this possible position of harmony with the Father that Isaiah flings out his urgent invitation to our straying race. "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Harken diligently unto me and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness. Incline your ear and come unto me; hear and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near."

The prophet enforces this jubilant invitation with a glowing description of the condition of the redeemed. "—Ye shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountain and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the Lord for a sign and for an everlasting name that shall not be cut off."

Back of the invitation, and supporting it, are the provisions made by our Lord for a way of salvation. A fountain filled with blood has been opened at Calvary wherein all who desire may be cleansed from sin by grace through faith. The new birth that accompanies the cleansing is free

to all who will repent and believe. The woman at the well was out of harmony with heaven, until she found Christ. The thief on the cross could be made a new creature in Christ Jesus. It is no farther from the 55th chapter of Isaiah to the 53rd chapter, spiritually, than the page that separates them in print. In this neighboring scripture it is said that "He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." "All we," indeed, "like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way," but God loved us enough to lay "on him the iniquity of us all."

III. Man May Be Harmonized With God  
Only on God's Terms

There is just One Person through whom salvation may be achieved. There is just one Saviour. "I will make an everlasting covenant with you; even the sure mercies of David (the reference is to that great Son of David)." "And nations that knew not Thee shall run unto thee because of the Lord thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel." "Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander of the people." "Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

There is also just one approach to this Crucified Redeemer. "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." There is no clearer statement of repentance and faith anywhere than here. After the exhortation to seek the Lord, while He may be found, and to call upon Him while He is near, man is challenged and commanded to renounce his sin and his views of life that alienated him from God, and to return in trust to God for mercy, even as the prodigal returned to his father. This is the only way to the cross; and the cross is the only way to God.

Naaman had his own ideas about how Elisha should have gone about his healing. Said he, "I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God, and strike his hand over the place and recover the leper." That was Naaman's plan; but it was not Elisha's plan; it was not God's plan. Naaman remained leprous until he followed God's plan. Even after Elisha's instructions to go and wash in Jordan seven times had been thoroughly understood, Naaman was yet not submissive. He said, "Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? May I not wash in them, and be clean?" May I not wash in the river of formal church connection, and be clean? Is not the water of paying liberally to the church better than all the waters of Israel? Are not the Damascus streams of culture and morality better than the fountain filled with blood, with its lowly approach through the wicket gate of repentance? Will not membership in civic clubs or fraternities be sufficient?

The plan of salvation was not in all men's thoughts. To the Jews it is a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness. None of the princes of this world knew it; it was a part of hidden wisdom, which eye had not seen, nor ear heard, nor had entered into the heart of man. It is for the purpose of revealing God's way of salvation that His Word goeth forth out of His mouth. Happily for millions, it has not returned unto Him void, but has accomplished that which He pleased, and has prospered in the thing whereto He sent it. His Word has enlightened man's dark way, and, like the beneficent dews and rain from heaven, it has brought untold blessing to a barren, starving world.

This is the message of the gospel of Christ. Man is grievously distant from God; God loves and seeks our prodigal race; and Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Here, too, is the task of the Christian world. We are to go in the light of these truths to conquer the world for Christ. We are to labor on toward the answer of the prayer that the kingdom may come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Baptists of Mississippi, our message, our task, and our hope is: HARMONIZING HUMANITY WITH HEAVEN.



## Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS," I Cor. 13:8b

"Go" Mt. 5:24; "Go" Mt. 10:6; "Go" Mt. 11:4;  
"Go" Mt. 28:7; "Go" Mt. 28:19; "Go" Mk. 16:15;  
"Go" Lk. 9:60.

"Give" Mt. 5:42; "Give" Mt. 10:8; "Give" Mt. 19:21;  
"Give" Lk. 6:38; "Give" II Cor. 9:7.

### I

Southern Baptists are observing Sunday, November 16, as Radio Day. In addition to radio programs "filling the air with the Gospel message," offerings are being taken to sponsor this work throughout the South.

The Mississippi goal is \$1,000 in round numbers. Dr. Claude Bowen, Pastor Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, has asked one hundred Mississippi Baptist churches to bear the larger part of this responsibility. Others will be sending in offerings also. All offerings should be sent to this office, and designated for the Radio Committee.

Pastor David Cranford of Charleston mentioned the fact that he wanted \$15.00 from his fine church for this purpose. One consecrated young doctor who is a tither with-it-all, asked for the privilege of making the full contribution in hand. It can be done!

### II

Mississippi Baptists will want to do their best for our Orphanage this Thanksgiving season.

### III

A ministerial student at Mississippi College sends his tithe from first church salary received. He designates it for State Missions.

That is a mighty good way to start out!

### IV

Pastor W. R. Storie reports that around fifty people in the prayer meeting service at Itta Bena recently, spent sixty seconds in silent prayer for this Secretary. We do not need to tell you that this is greatly encouraging. Many times when the pressure was very great we felt we had such undergirding from many sources.

Pastor W. A. Green, Waynesboro, told us sometime back in prayer meeting they called by name various workers as they went to prayer. Certainly that is a very practical application of Christian principles and powers.

### V

We give some reactions from the ministers participating in the Prentiss County simultaneous revival meeting.

This refers to proper preparation for the conducting of a county-wide revival campaign.

#### PREPARATION:

There should be one full year of preparation. At least two or three meetings of the pastors should be held. Prayer services should be held at the church house, homes, schools, places of business, etc. The churches should be definitely committed. The pastor should visit all the schools in the county. An association-wide census should be taken. Study courses in soul-winning should be conducted in every church. Andrew Clubs should be formed. Helpers should be selected. Good planning of publicity. An evangelistic committee should be formed in each church, and the chairman of each church committee should serve on the Association committee. An Associational Evangelistic Director should be chosen.

COMMITTEES SUGGESTED: Prayer meeting, Publicity, Transportation, Finance, Arrangement, Census, Schools and Churchless areas.

#### PLAN OF SERVICES (This will be flexible):

8:30-9:30 a. m.—Speak in schools.

10:00-12:00 a. m.—Prayer Praise, Reports and Preaching Service.

12:00 noon—Dinner on the ground.

These morning services will be held at different churches each day.

Afternoons will be given to visitation and personal work.

At 7:30 each evening Scriptural Evangelism will be experienced in the church service.

Some feel it best for the pastor to be in his

## NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

### I

News! More Good News!

With increasing contributions coming through this office—with faith in our God and faith in His people we are making plans to take up \$106,400 in bonds December 1. In addition we pay \$15,000 interest.

Men and women in Christ Jesus—don't let us down!

Now is the time for big deeds, big thoughts, big living for Christ!

That will bring the balance on bonded indebtedness down to \$416,000.00 as against \$542,000.00 at the time we launched the Now Club.

### II

This Convention will surely allow nothing to happen in the way of voting extra debts or extra finances. That would be the surest way of putting the Now Club out in a painful death.

With all our progress we have \$25,000 in notes at the bank we cannot touch.

We should be taking up \$180,000 in bonds December 1, on the three year plan. We are taking up only \$106,400.

Let us do right!

### III

One helpful and hopeful sign has been the fact that large city churches, town churches, village churches, and rural churches, in large numbers are coming in on the Now Club plan.

First Baptist Church, Jackson, Dr. W. A. Hewitt, Pastor, recently completed payment on one-third of their goal. This great church has, by far, the largest goal in the State.

First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, with a large goal, recently sent a check covering one-half of their goal. Brother Breland sent the check. This is Brother Gaines Hightower's church.

While in Prentiss County revival, we were visiting in a four-walled rural church building. They proudly said they had reached their Now Club goal.

At another rural church that night they happily told us they had paid more than one-third of their Now Club pledge. They had a little more on hand.

Mississippi Baptists are on the march!

The Spirit of Victory is in the air!

### IV

Churches Over the Top This Week:

New Salem—Franklin.

Providence—Franklin.

Biloxi, Second—Gulf Coast.

Pass Christian—Gulf Coast.

Friendship—Jones.

Bluff Springs—Kemper.

Oakvale—Lawrence.

Yazoo City—Yazoo.

### V

No. 594 for \$50, No. 595 for \$50, Arcola in Deer Creek Association (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 360 for \$50, No. 361 for \$50, Hollandale in Deer Creek (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 3503 for \$36, No. 3504 for \$36, No. 548 for \$100, No. 549 for \$100, No. 550 for \$100, No. 571 for \$50 plus \$10, Meadville in Franklin County (McLaurin and Hightower, field workers).

No. 3507 for \$36, No. 3508 for \$36, No. 3509 for \$36, New Salem in Franklin (McLaurin and Hightower, field workers).

No. 551 for \$100, No. 592 for \$50, No. 3501 for \$36, No. 3502 for \$36 plus \$3, Providence in Franklin (McLaurin and Hightower, field workers).

No. 545 for \$100, Biloxi Second in Gulf Coast (Hightower, field worker).

No. 2034 for \$36, No. 2035 for \$36 plus \$6, Pass

church or among his own churches helping the Evangelist. Others feel it best for the pastor to be out on some other field preaching on his own part. In the latter case some local layman should be given definite responsibility in the evening service.

FOLLOW UP: See that the new converts are enlisted definitely in the services and work of the church. Train them! Call on them!

## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

**Baptist Record Circulation Reaches New Record**  
Another gain in circulation is reported this week by the circulation department.

**THIS WEEK'S CIRCULATION IS 24,425.**

So far as we know this is the highest figure ever reached. It should be even higher next week for on Monday night at the Pastors' and Laymen's Conference we learned of three other churches that have adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Churches without the EVERY FAMILY Plan are losing much by failing to adopt this popular and progressive plan.

#### Send The Record to Soldier Boys

Many expressions of appreciation have been heard from soldier boys who have received the Record as a gift from their church. One church is sending 16 copies weekly. Don't forget your members in service.

#### Senatobia

Pastor H. L. Martin is rejoicing over the fine Y. W. A. study course at Northwest Mississippi Junior College. It was taught by Miss Edwina Robinson. This work is sponsored by Mrs. W. T. Douglass. The church debt is being reduced, additions are coming regularly and \$538.00 was recently contributed to the Now Club.

Bro. Sam C. Stevens was recently reelected Sunday school superintendent for the twenty-fourth time. The W. M. U. has expanded to five circles and Mrs. R. H. Harris is to lead the W. M. U. during 1942.

Tate County's Record readers are listed as follows: Mt. Zion 8; SENATOBIA 103; STRAYHORN 20; Tyro 2; WYATT 12; COLDWATER 50.

#### Kosciusko

We found Pastor R. C. Holcomb busy as usual but happy over the progress of the work. The Sunday school attendance has increased and averaged 265 for the past year. The new budget totals \$10,000 an increase of \$1000 over last year. Last year's budget was overpaid.

Attala County has Record readers listed as follows: Antioch 1; ETHEL 37; KOSCIUSKO FIRST 215; KOSCIUSKO SECOND 25; McAdams 4; Sallas 12; Bear Creek 1.

#### Winona

Pastor J. B. Flowers seems to be going places at Winona. They have recently completed a seven-room annex and expect to have enough cash left to re-roof the parsonage. In a recent meeting led by Rev. W. A. Bell there were 16 additions.

Montgomery County's Record readers are listed as follows: BETHLEHEM 20; DUCK HILL 12; Winona 61; Poplar Springs 1; Sweatman 2; Milligan Springs 1.

Christian in Gulf Coast (Hightower, field worker).  
No. 3269 for \$36, No. 3270 for \$36, Antioch in Hinds-Warren.

No. 321 for \$50 No. 546 for \$100, Friendship in Jones County (Hightower, field worker).

No. 616 for \$100, Bluff Springs in Kemper County (Dr. Land, worker).

No. 615 for \$100, No. 3259 for \$36, No. 3260 for \$36 plus \$3, Oakvale in Lawrence County (Hightower, field worker).

No. 3261 for \$36, No. 3262 for \$36, No. 3263 for \$36, No. 564 for \$60, Friendship in Leake (W. M. Bell, worker).

No. 3264 for \$36, No. 3265 for \$36, No. 3266 for \$36, Sherman in Lee County (Mrs. G. D. Parks, worker).

No. 3268 for \$36, Berwick in Mississippi Association (L. T. Burris, worker).

No. 3267 for \$36, Yazoo City in Yazoo County (Mrs. Brame, worker).



## Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

### W. M. U. Report to State Convention

This Convention year, the headlines of our newspapers have thrown before our eyes such subjects as: Defense, lend-lease bills calling for billions of dollars, thousands of recruits for army camps, navy training stations, and air bases; production of bombers, battleships, destroyers, submarines, machine guns, etc.; both pessimistic and optimistic reports concerning the conditions on the battle front. And as we travel the highways we see caravans of army trucks transporting soldiers to places of intensive training; as we look up into the sky we see pursuit planes making a high rate of speed in preparation for death and destruction. These are pictures that chill the heart and strike terror to the soul. The key word to each of these items is "speed."

I turn to my own heart and ask myself the question "Am I going speedily to pray before the Lord?" Is W. M. U. leading the women and young people to pray speedily? In our program of prayer we have tried to be faithful in seeking His face in united and individual prayer. Our Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions was observed by 90% of our societies and young people's organizations and made a love offering of more than \$17,000 to Foreign Missions.

In our Home Mission Season we were obsessed with the thought of preserving Christian ideals of America. As we prayed we realized that the days are evil and that we must redeem the time. We gave more than \$13,000 for the defense of our country by making His Way known within our borders. In September during our Season of Prayer for State Missions we centered our thinking on "The Lord as Our Defense." Isaiah said, "Salvation will God appoint for wall and bulwarks." We cannot give the financial results as yet but indications are that we gave our largest State Mission Offering in the history of our Union.

Our regular offerings to Missions through the Cooperative Program have been "stepped up" by our district, associational and local leaders using every opportunity to teach our constituency that the lengthening of Kingdom work are dependent upon enlargement of our gifts through the Cooperative Program. We were gratified to find that in the list of churches making no contribution to missions through the Cooperative Program, not one of them had a missionary society but that fact intensified our desire to increase the number of organizations.

Conscious of the fact that the speed of the Gospel message has been slowed down by the shackles of debt, individual women have been faithful in serving as District, Associational and Church "Now Club Chairman." Our organization has been loyal in the promotion of our debt-paying plans. We are praying with you, brethren, that the Word of the Lord may have free course—unhindered by debt.

Our Missionary Topics' Theme—"An Urgent Gospel—the World's Dire Need," has broadened our horizon and confirmed our belief in the saving power of the Gospel. It has also created a desire for further study in search of more knowledge concerning His Way in the World. Our women have become alert to world conditions and the effectiveness of the Gospel through their study of Missions.

Our young people in their organizations have been challenged by a knowledge of God's Plan for redeeming the lost in our program of study and work. The promotion of plans for the education of young people in stewardship of possessions has received more attention from stewardship chairmen and many churches have observed stewardship night. We have used opportunities to teach tithing in our camp programs. We have held fifteen camps for our Junior G. A.'s and R. A.'s, enrolling 1194 boys and girls. Intermediate R. A. Camp, Intermediate G. A. Houseparty and Y. W. A. Camp enrolled 510 boys and young women. Our program provided the opportunity for our young

people to come in contact with some of our greatest personalities: Dan Tilden, Cherokee Indian; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Craighead, two sons and two daughters, missionaries to Rumania; Miss Ruth Garcia, Argentina; Dr. H. C. Goerner, professor of Missions, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Miss Harriette King, missionary to China; Miss Kathleen Mallory, Executive Secretary of W. M. U.; David Mein, Brazil; Dr. J. F. Plainfield, missionary to Italians; Adolfo Robletto, Nicaragua.

Mindful of the need of men in making Christ known to a bleeding world, and conscious of the potentiality of our boys, Woman's Missionary Union has employed Rev. Ivyloy Bishop for four months of this year to be the director of our boys' camps and hold R. A. Conclaves in a number of churches in various sections of the state for the purpose of magnifying missions in the minds of our men and boys.

Jesus often used words pertaining to speed, such as "Go quickly and tell," "immediately," "in haste," "straightway," "suddenly"—these should entice us to hasten to spread the tidings abroad:

"Jesus saves, Jesus saves,  
Bear the news to every land,  
Climb the steepes and cross the waves,  
Onward, 'tis our Lord's command,  
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!"

Caixa 2655, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
September 29, 1941

Dear friends in the homeland:

Yesterday was a very happy day for us in the College Church and I wished for you to share the blessings and joy with us. It was one of the cool rainy days that we have been having lately and the Sunday school attendance dropped off some, but the pupils who came got into the spirit of the lesson and I felt it was a great privilege to talk to the eleven young women in my class about the "New Jerusalem" as so vividly described in Revelation. It was a great evangelistic opportunity and I tried to make the most of it. Much to my joy one of the girls made a definite decision to follow Christ when the invitation was given at the close of the preaching hour. She studies in the Law school and comes from a very influential home. One of the intermediate boys from the boarding department made a decision too.

At two p. m. I went over to the Girls' School to meet with the Y. W. A. of which I have tried to be counselor for two years, but I fear I have been counselor in name more than reality as I have not been able to do very much for them. I enjoy meeting with them, however, as their eagerness and enthusiasm help me as I try to prepare and plan for Y. W. A.'s all over Brazil. There are 34 in the school Y. W. A. and they are developing nicely in all Y. W. A. activities.

Three-forty-five found me on my way to the College church to meet with the church Y. W. A. in its final rehearsal for its first anniversary celebration. Finished the rehearsal, we decorated the auditorium and used calla lilies, shasta daisies and white gladiolas. They made pretty and appropriate bouquets for the stage, tables and piano.

The program began promptly at seven-thirty with the president of the year-one-year Y. W. A. presiding with dignity and ease. The Y. W. A. was organized with 16 members. During the year, five were enlisted and we lost three, so the year closed with 18 on roll. Our honor guests were 25 of the Y. W. A. girls from the Girls' school. They favored us with a special song and took part in the organized memory work with the church girls. Mrs. Watson made a splendid talk using as the basis of her remarks: "He brought me forth also into a very large place." Psalms 18:19. She made a very impressive application showing the girls how God had brought them forth also into a large place and gave suggestions how they might best fill it.

The secretary of the Y. W. A., Nair Baptista, who is a pupil in the Girls' school and belongs to the school Y. W. A., too, has recently been appointed by the Home Mission Board to help Beatrice Silva in her school in the far-away interior of Brazil. She will leave in a few days. We shall miss her but are very glad that one of our number is willing to go and labor where the workers are so few.

At the close of the Y. W. A. program the pastor, Missionary W. E. Allen, was invited to direct a lit-

tle farewell service for Nair. Several of the organizations had presents for her and the church gave her a nice song book with music. Nair was pleased and touched.

She asked for an opportunity to say a few words, and in a clear voice told of her call and surrender to do definite Christian work. She asked that her favorite song, "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go, Dear Lord," be sung. Just before the last stanza Mr. Allen asked if there were other young people present who felt called to dedicate their lives to definite Christian work to come and take their stand by Nair. It was a beautiful picture to see thirteen of the young women from the Girls' school go and stand by her. Then a Junior boy went up saying that he accepted Jesus as his Lord and Master. Thus closed a very happy day for the College church to which many of you have contributed through the Christmas offering so that it may some day have an adequate church building. Had there been no visible results other than the conversion of the "lawyer girl" we would have felt well rewarded for the ten hours spent in His service, but there are many others for which we sing praises to His name.

October the 16th—Many urgent duties prevented my getting the "circular" finished. One being that of getting the program for Day of Prayer ready for the printer and then copies mailed out to our 760 Baptist churches. We are glad to say that the copies of the program, postor and envelopes should now be in the hands of the 19 state secretaries and I hope will soon be sent to the churches. Last year our Lottie Moon offering doubled that of the previous year and we are hopeful that we'll raise even more this year. We expect to be able to give to the Home Mission Board enough money raised on this day to support two or three workers and an equal amount to the Foreign Mission Board for the work in Portugal.

Two months have passed since I returned from my wonderful vacation and, I am beginning to feel that I have never been away. I cherish the memories of the happy days spent in the homeland. I am sorry that I did not get to see all of you, but, as we say in Portuguese, "the time did not give." I hope I may see each of you when I go on my regular furlough in 1944.

Recently I received some gifts in money; some being designated for the distribution of Bibles, New Testaments and Gospels and others to use as I saw fit, and which were used for the same purposes. The donors were: Mrs. Buchanan, First Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Ark., \$10.00; The Flora W. M. S., Flora, Mississippi, \$6.00; Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Edleman, Clinton, Mississippi, \$5.00; Mrs. J. P. Williams, Mendenhall, Miss., \$5.00; Mt. Pleasant Church, Newton County, Mississippi, \$3.00; two ladies from Antioch Church, Simpson County, Mississippi, \$1.00 each, making a total of \$31.00. By arranging with one of the Bible societies, located in Rio, I was able to get a good discount and bought fifty Bibles, fifty New Testaments and 10,000 Gospels. Our W. M. U. field workers will distribute most of the Gospels and I am giving to the missionaries who will leave soon for the interior, to colporters and other personal workers the New Testaments and Bibles. The colporter of whom Mr. Berry interestingly wrote in the October number of the COMRADES has received ten of the Bibles and ten New Testaments to use in the wonderful work he is doing. (If you have not read already about Senhor Jose be sure you secure a copy of the COMRADES and read about his work.) To each and every one who has a part in this gift I extend my sincere thanks. I know you will be rewarded because the bread cast upon the waters will not return unto Him void.

With Christian love and a prayer for you in your work, I am

Your friend,

MINNIE LANDRUM.

BR

The Radio Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention is asking a contribution from a hundred churches in Mississippi to pay the expense of 13 radio sermons. This goes to the broadcasting stations. A little from everybody helps.





This group will be ready to handle your shipment of food supplies, etc., for the Baptist Orphanage.

#### ORPHANAGE BRIEFS By Mrs. W. G. Mize

The boys and girls "fall in" with the crowd. Very few stay homesick. Some are not lonesome even at first.

A great deal of time is spent in play. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," is one of our tenets, also "An idle mind is the devil's workshop."

All work among girls is assigned by Mrs. Mize. Some girls work in the kitchen as cooks; others wait on tables, wash dishes, etc., while still others work in the laundry. The work schedule is changed often enough to provide training in every phase of the work.

The farm and dairy work is assigned by the man in charge of that department. At present he is Mr. Clarence King. The dairy herd is good and the children have sufficient milk and butter.

The farm usually produces fine hogs for eating during the winter. Some veal and beef also are slaughtered.

One entire pig is required for a

meal. Biscuits are baked by the hundreds and about 50 jars of fruits or vegetables opened at one time.

The Orphanage consumes about 150 pounds each of sugar, flour and lard EVERY week.

Children possess their own clothes. They are either furnished the individual by some organization, or they are supplied from the general store-room—or commissary dispensed by Mrs. Mize.

They are commended on their personal appearance. "Clothes do not make the man—or woman," but a child does better school work if he looks as well as his class mates—his mental and social attitudes improve when his physical appearance is acceptable. This observation is made after watching the development of boys and girls over a period of several years—particularly the Intermediate age.

There are some twenty little tots not in school. They are to be seen playing together, riding tricycles, wagons, etc., every day. They have a good time together. We need more playground equipment. The High School allows the High School stu-

dents residing at the Orphanage free admission to the ball games. The Ray Theatre extends cordial invitation to attend their show any time we so desire. We also have admission to some of the rides and shows at the State Fair on one day of Fair Week—Institutional Day.

The personnel of the Orphanage: W. G. Mize, superintendent; Mrs. W. G. Mize, assistant to the superintendent; Miss Gladys Rhyne, office secretary; J. R. Throgmorton, religious director; Mrs. J. C. Huffman, dietitian; W. C. King, farm manager; Mrs. W. C. King, matron; Mrs. H. C. Sutton, matron; Mrs. Dora Brister, matron; Mrs. H. J. Campbell, matron; Mrs. J. R. Throgmorton, matron; Mrs. Mattye Taylor, laundry supervisor.

The laundry finishes two or three thousand pieces every week. Some of the mending and some of the altering is done by the laundry supervisor. She also does as much sewing as possible. During summer months in the afternoons she teaches the older girls to sew.

Each matron cares for her group; looking after their clothes, their

#### TESTIMONY OF PROFESSOR C. E. THOMAS OF MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN COLLEGE

The Mississippi Southern College Ministerial League is broadcasting a fifteen minute devotional four days per week over Radio Station WFOR, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The program is sponsored by Rev. C. S. Moulder, Baptist Student Secretary. Rev. Moulder speaks two days, and the students two days. Professor C. S. Thomas, head of the Industrial Art Department of Mississippi Southern College, who has been confined to his room a great deal for the past year, has been enjoying the gospel messages very much. On October 4 he requested Rev. Moulder to express his heart's desire to our radio audience. He is real anxious to give the same message to the readers of The Baptist Record.

#### Testimony

Illness brought me to realize fully that my influence in the church, along with God's people, has not been what it should have been for several years.

I gave dollars, yes! but very little work. Carelessness, indifference, negligence, sin, had gradually crept in.

O! how I have suffered physically and hungered spiritually.

Brother, Sister, let me appeal to you now to work with and for Christ, our blessed Savior, while you still have health and strength.

GOD NEEDS YOU EVERY DAY.

I am praying that this appeal will touch someone and bear fruit for the Master's glory.

C. S. MOULDER.

building, their school home-work, their habits, needs and problems.

At the present time, the larger (12-16 year girls) need dresses, skirts and shirts. Socks sizes 9½, 10 and 10½. Underwear and shoes.

The boys need clothes—all ages, shirts, pants, shoes, socks and underwear.

The buildings need sheets; single mostly, spreads (eight of a kind), mops, brooms, etc. Yards of 5c unbleached muslin for curtains.

The dining room needs tablecloths 3½ yards long by 54" wide. Unbleached domestic is very good; napkins, aprons for waitresses. Household cleansers, soap, shoe polish, etc., are needed by the buildings.

The students need loose leaf paper, composition books and lunch money.

The kitchen needs canned goods; corn, hominy, salmon, pineapple, pork and beans, fruit juices, peanut butter, etc. (The rural people will supply the home canned tomatoes, beans, peaches, pears, blackberries, cabbage, etc.) Cereals, sugar, lard, baking powder and salt are needed in our kitchen.

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George W. Noble, The Christian Co. Dept 2FX, Pontiac Bldg., Chicago, Ill.



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary  
JOHN A. FARMER, Associate  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elem. Sec.

### Standard Campaign

The results of the Standard Campaign were so satisfactory last year that we are renewing it this year. The Standard Campaign is the program to standardize the greatest possible number of Young People's, Adult and Extension departments and also Young People's and Adult classes.

Since standard applications are made out on the basis of a quarter's work, and since the first quarter of this new Sunday school year will not close until December 31, 1941, the idea in this Standard Campaign is for departments and classes to use the last three months of 1941 to pull up on any points where they are short and be ready by the first of January to make application for the standard award.

The Young People's and Adult Department of Sunday school work at Nashville has already sent to each class they have on their list the card for entering the campaign; also they have sent a wall chart of the standard together with seals to indicate the points already attained. If your class or department would like to enter this campaign, and you have not received the entry blank from Nashville, just write us a card at Box 530, Jackson, giving the name of your class, or department, the church, and the teacher or superintendent, together with the address, and we shall see that you get the chart, seals, etc.

A great number have already entered; but we want many times this number to take part in this very constructive and helpful program for building greater and better Young People's, Adult, and Extension departments, and Young People's and Adult classes. Enter now and get the full benefit of all of November and December to make up on any short points you now have, and be ready by January first to make application for the standard award.

### Jones County Clinic

During the week of November 2-7 an association-wide clinic was held in the First Baptist Church, Laurel, for the work of the Young People's, Adult, and Extension departments.

The first meeting was on Sunday afternoon when 325 people came from 23 of the 36 churches in the association. At this meeting goals for attendance during the week were set, and plans made for reaching the people for the evening sessions, that began each evening at 7:00 and ran until 9:15.

Five classes were taught in the two Young People's books on teaching and administration, the two Adult books on teaching and administration, and the Extension book. All the work of the week was based on these five books.

In addition to the two men from the State Sunday School Department, we were most fortunate in having with us that week the three men from the Department of Young People's and Adult Sunday School work of the Sunday School Board, Mr. Wm. P. Phillips, Mr. A. V. Washburn and Mr. Herman L. King. Each of these

fine capable men from Nashville rendered most acceptable service and greatly aided in the promotion of the work they are stressing in that special department. We are so grateful to them for coming and spending the week in our state and helping us so much.

In addition to the regular night services in Laurel, there were four day meetings in as many different churches in the county and in as many different sections of the association. Several churches were represented at each of these four meetings. The five workers went to each of these meetings and spent two hours each morning discussing in a very practical and informal way different phases of our great Sunday school program.

At the close of the class work each evening, there was a demonstration by some group of one of the Laurel churches showing how different meetings should be conducted, such as the weekly meeting of the class officers, the weekly meeting of the department officers and teachers, the Sunday morning department opening worship program, and teaching a class on Sunday morning.

Each of these groups did the work most magnificently and showed to all the right way of doing these vital parts of the work. We are so grateful to them for this help.

Many had a part in making the week the great success that it was. To each and every one we say "thank you" from the depth of our heart. We reached more churches during the week than was ever before reached in any Sunday school program in the association. We are glad of the opportunity to serve.

### Standard

The T. E. L. class of the Ackerman school, Mr. J. B. Edwards, teacher, is now standard. We welcome them to our standard group, and thank them for the fine work.

—BR—

### CHRISTIAN WORKERS?

(Thus with an interrogation mark Editor J. P. Dale heads an article in the North Mississippi Herald of Water Valley. His firm printed the minutes of the Panola County and Yalobusha County Associations. This is his reaction. Pity more folks do not read the minutes of the Associations. After saying that these Baptists are about the average Christians, he tells what he thinks. Mr. Dale is the son of the late Hon. Joe Dale of Monticello, a man who filled the office of editor for 50 years with high honor. —L.)

They are shocking because of the revelation that in this God-fearing, supposedly Christian country, so little is being done. It is a challenge to all Christian people.

Pastors and deacons cannot carry the whole load of church work. They are the leaders, it is true; but the failure to make progress lies with the rank and file of the church members—church members who have shown little interest for the most part.

But look at the picture in this county of the Baptist denomination—the largest church, and possibly the strongest.

In Yalobusha, 21 Baptist churches have a total book membership of 3,126. There are no figures to show how many of these members attended any church service last year,

but Sunday School records show an average attendance in that department of these 21 churches of 616. One person in five of the total membership attended Sunday School.

How are Yalobusha county Baptists about giving to the Lord's work? The records show that these 3,126 members gave a total of \$13,232.50 in the past year: an annual average per member of \$4.25, or less than 40 cents a month. What a sacrifice we Christian people must have been making to part with 40 cents a month for God's work!

How many folks in Yalobusha county Baptist churches tithed? The record may not be complete. Some folks don't shout their good deeds from the housetops, but as far as the recorded figures show, only 37 Baptists in Yalobusha county—just about one in a hundred—even pretended to tithe.

How well are the Baptists looking after their churches? How are they treating their pastors?

Yalobusha county Baptists paid the ministers of the 21 churches a total of \$5,287.00 last year, an average for each church of \$253, or \$21 a month per church.

Almost equally shameful is the way church property is being protected. The value of Baptist owned property, church buildings, pastors' homes, etc., is \$81,900—twenty of the churches having houses of worship. Only six churches are insured against destruction by fire or other causes. The total insurance carried is \$21,000.

We're not being unduly critical of Baptists. We're one of them. We're one of those 3,126 here in Yalobusha who helped to keep the county average of contributions down to 40 cents a month.

All of us are falling far short of what is expected of us. We are shirking our duties, and we are being miserly with the Lord. At a time when all of us ought to be giving more to the church than we ever have, when all of us ought to be filling the auditoriums of every church building in this country to overflow, we are drifting carelessly away, apparently unconcerned about the pathetic apathy of church members themselves to what is happening in the Lord's house.

We ought to be thoroughly ashamed.

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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By  
BRACEY CAMPBELL

Lesson For Nov. 16

THE VINE AND THE BRANCHES  
John 15:1-10

Introduction. In John 14, the Lord gets talking to His disciples of His going home to the Father, and of the provision He has made for them in consequence of this event. They hear from Him that they are not to be left alone. That He is going to come back to them in the person of the Holy Spirit, and that they are to be through the Spirit's abiding in them one with Him, united to Him as He is united to the Father. Read John 14:20 to see that He tells them that they shall know that He is in the Father, and they are in the Son and the Son in them. There is a mystical union within the bonds of which are held Father, Son and believers, all held together in this vital union by the indwelling Spirit. Read John 14:18 to see that He taught them that the Holy Spirit was Himself to come into their hearts, the Holy Spirit Who is the Spirit of Christ, to dwell in them as the vital principle of their lives as Christians.

Take time to read John 17:21-23. All this is profound, but you need as do I to know it, though you will not fully understand it all. The Father is distinct from the believer, but there is a real sense in which they are all bound together into a oneness of so precious a quality and so enduring a strength as to make the weakest Christian a conqueror and more than a conqueror of every foe that may oppose his progress in the Christian life.

### I. Proclamation. John 15:1-3.

"I am the entire vine", that in His meaning, and that is the truth. The vine includes all of the vine, roots, stem, branches—He is the whole vine, the complete vine, the life in the whole vine from the tiniest rootlet to the budding leftlet is His life. All life in Him or any of His in His life. The real church life is His life, the real Christian life is His life.

Of that complete vine, "My Father is the Husbandman," the vinekeeper. The Father works in all creation, in all production of the fruits of sanctification, of the fruit of the Spirit.

"Every branch in me that beareth not fruit, the Vinekeeper taketh it away." So do the tomato raisers in our great Copiah vegetable district prune the tomato vines that they may bear more fruit. So do the orchard keepers in the apple country prune the apple trees of the barren branches which grow out of the trunk of the wild sapling into which the fruit-bearing branch of the good apple tree has been grafted. Our nature was wild and incapable of any fruit to the Glory of God, till the Christ nature was grafted into it. And as long as we live there will be outcroppings of the old nature in us, and only as these are pruned away shall the life be fruitful of Christian graces and Christian works.

"Already ye are clean through the word (Because of the Word) which I have spoken unto you." Ye have been pruned, ye have been cleansed, ye have been prepared for fruitbearing

through the word which I have spoken to you. So God's word, admitted into the heart is like fuller's soap and the refiner's fire to cleanse the life and make it rich and fruitful.

### II. Promulgation. John 15:4-8.

Is "promulgation" a good word in this connection? I mean the publication of a command. Here is our Lord commanding His disciples as to how they are to give fine proof of their allegiance to Him. "Abide in Me," that is a command. If ye abide in Me, I also can and will give you assurance that as ye abide in Me, I abide in you.

The branch apart from the vine is fruitless and dead. O my Brother, my Sister, can we not learn this? We go about making our programs and rush about doing our work with so little regard for this primal necessity, that we abide in Him. Sing, say prayers, do alms, preach, work wonders, gather numbers, build a big organization, all to what purpose, "Except ye abide in Me"? "He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit." This is the declaration of my Lord and yours, who are we to dispute it? Have you felt that your life is unfruitful? Of this one thing you need to assure yourself. Do you abide in the Lord? If you do, your life "Beareth much fruit." Faithfully and wholly for the sake of the Lord you have taught your Sunday School class through the years, or you have labored for the Lord in some other department of His work? And you do not see that you have accomplished anything for Him, that your life has borne any fruit? Be of good cheer: hath He not said, "The same beareth much fruit"?

Do you neglect to abide, or do you refuse to abide in Him? Read verse 6.

Do you delight to abide in the Lord and to admit and entertain and give play and power to His engrafted word? Then ask the Father for anything you want; because the Father's glory is enhanced by this that, having desired to do so, and that having employed all His means of grace to that end, "Ye bear much fruit."

### III. Promise. John 15:9-10.

I know verse 9 is a declaration, but what a promise it is as well! I love you with an everlasting love. I love you with a love that shall not pall or grow pale, that shall not fail or falter at whatever demand is made upon it.

But how are we to abide in His love? In the keeping of His commandments because we want to. We may keep a commandment because we feel we are compelled for fear of dire consequences of refusal to do so. But when we keep His commandments because we delight to do so, that is another matter. Did not someone somewhere say of the godly man, "His delight is in the law of the Lord: and in His law doth he meditate day and night"?

The promise is unto you. Do from the heart His will and hold close in the heart His promise of all the riches of grace in Christ Jesus.

—BR—

Shipwrecked wife: "Look, Jack, quick, a sail, a sail!"

Shipwrecked husband (dozing): "It's no use, my dear, it doesn't matter what they're offering—I haven't a dime."

—BR—

Husband: What! Two new hats! Doesn't that wreck our budget?

Wife: Of course not darling. Don't you recall that we made a liberal allowance for overhead expenses?

## LAUDERDALE COUNTY

Lauderdale County held their annual school of missions Oct. 27-31 at First Baptist Church, Meridian, promoted by the Woman's Missionary Union.

Rev. W. A. Abel, pastor of Poplar Springs Baptist Church and Moderator of the Association, was dean of the school. The faculty was Dr. A. R. Crabtree, missionary to Brazil, who taught "Sharing with Neighbor America" and also gave the inspirational address on Monday night. Mrs. Maxfield Garrott taught the book she has written, "Japanese Youth Faces Life," and she gave the address on Thursday night. Archibald McMillan, managing editor of the Commission, taught "Frontiers for Christian Youth," and gave the inspirational address on Tuesday and Friday nights. Mrs. T. J. McDowell, one of our local women who has visited many mission fields in her travels around the juniors on a trip around the world. On Wednesday her sister, Mrs. H. F. Broach, showed moving pictures made while in South America, showing our Seminary in Rio and many of our workers and churches there.

Twenty-four churches were represented. The adults and young people were brought in from the rural churches by school buses, the cost of which was borne by the County W. M. U.

The County Superintendent of Education, Mr. Geo. W. Buman, co-operated in making it possible for Dr. A. R. Crabtree to speak to the faculty and student body of ten of our largest schools out in the county, getting a message of vital interest about South America over to 3,000 students. Mrs. Garrott spoke to 1400 students in Junior High and Elementary schools in the city. Archie McMullan spoke to 500 students at Harris high school for negro students and 500 students in Elementary schools. The workers had personal contact with the leaders of all eight churches of the city at luncheon and dinner engagements throughout the week.

A banquet was provided for the B. S. U. at which time Mr. Archie McMullan talked about B. S. U. work around the world and emphasized the importance of our missionary magazines.

On the closing night Rev. and Mrs. Abel entertained at dinner inviting the faculty, the pastors, the heads of the Sunday school and B. T. U., W. M. U., Brotherhood and B. S. U. departments for a round table discussion of the week's activities. Dr. Crabtree and Mrs. Garrott discussed plans of work in other schools in which they had assisted.

While the records show that approximately ten thousand people heard a message from one or more of these workers as they contacted various groups during the week, we came to a conclusion that we had not reached our possibilities. The superintendent of W. M. U., under whose auspices the school had been promoted, moved that for the next session year the school of missions become the joint responsibility of all departments of the associational work and the Moderator serve as chairman.

In addition to paying the expenses of the missionaries a love offering was given each in an effort to show

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# THE CHILDREN'S CIRCLE

MRS. FRANCES LIPSEY STEELE

(Address all communications to Mrs. Frances Steele, Magee, Miss.)

My dear children,

With the change in the editor of The Baptist Record, there comes, too, a change in the Children's Circle. Since this is my last week to be with you as leader of the Circle, there are many things that come to mind that might be said. Probably it is enough to say that I shall miss your bright letters and friendly words. More than anything, I regret that the contributions which we have made each month to the orphanage and to the B. B. I. scholarship will stop. I do believe that you have done a worthy work in furthering these two causes. The gifts which you have sent have been a blessing where they went and I am sure that the Lord has blessed you because of them. I hope that you will always be interested in missions and may you have an especially warm place in your heart for the orphanage and for the Baptist Bible Institute because of our Children's Circle work there. Do not forget Brother Olmedo, who will now need to receive support elsewhere. Pray for him, and if you still care to send something for him to help him prepare for greater service, I shall be happy to send all contributions to Dr. Hamilton as I have been doing.

I do want to thank every one of you, young, old, and in-between, who has been helpful in the work of the Children's Circle while I have been your leader. There are many ways in which you have aided, by encouraging words, letters, gifts, articles, and suggestions; your interest and loyalty have been deeply appreciated. May you continue your good work. To the members of the Daily Bible Reader's League, I just want to say, Keep up your daily Bible reading. Don't grow weary in well doing. I hope to receive cards from some of you members a few months from now telling me that you have read the Bible all the way through. Keep up your Bible reading.

"The Lord bless thee and keep thee."

Now, as ever,

With love,  
Mrs. Frances Steele.

## BIBLE STUDY THE BEGINNING OF LANGUAGES The Tower of Babel

At one time there was only one language in the world. The people all talked alike and could all understand each other. As they journeyed from the east they came to a plain in the land of Shinar and stopped there. They were ambitious and wanted to make a name for themselves, and they said to one another, "Come, let us build a city and take brick and build a tower that will reach to heaven. It will keep us from being scattered all over the earth." So they made brick and mortar and began to build. Their wish was sinful. Perhaps they thought that when they built this tower that would reach to heaven that they would be equal with God. But God saw their hearts and knew their wicked purpose. The Lord came down from heaven to see the tower which the people were building and he was displeased. Then he did a wonderful thing to stop them. He made them all at once begin to speak in different languages, such as they had never spoken before. They could not go on building then because they were unable to understand each other's words and could not work together. Therefore they had to stop building before the tower was finished.

After that they did not all wish to live together any more. Only those who wished to live together who spoke the same language, and they would go off to some place where they could be by themselves. This is the way that people at first were separated and came to live in different parts of the world.

The tower which they tried to build, but which God did not allow them to finish, was called the tower

of Babel. Babel means confusion. When people began to talk in different languages so that they could not understand each other, it made confusion. Therefore, this tower was called the tower of Babel.

## IN GREAT-GRANDMOTHER'S CHURCH

Mrs. Ramsey and her three children sat in front of the cheerful living room fire. It was Sunday evening, and the children were ready to go to their young people's meetings at the church. Their father, Dr. Ramsey, had stepped out to visit a patient and friend in the next block, having promised to return in time to take Robin, Rose Ellen, and Martha to their meetings.

Rose Ellen was studying the faces in the two portraits over the mantel, and turning to her mother, remarked thoughtfully, "Great-grandmother Ramsey is looking straight at me."

"Silly!" scoffed her twelve-year-old brother, "She never even thought of you, much less looked at you."

Mrs. Ramsey's eyes followed those of her older daughter as they examined for a moment the familiar faces of the portraits above, paintings old and valued: the patient, kind faces of her husband's grandparents, faces on which strength was definitely outlined. Great-grandmother's quaint hair dress framed a face of grace and wisdom, and time had not been able to erase the lines of character from Great-grandfather's face.

"How old are those paintings, Mother?" asked Rose Ellen, making no reply to the scornful remark of her brother.

"They must be nearly a hundred and seventy-five years old." Mother was doing some quick mental arithmetic as she answered, "For I've been told that Great-grandfather and Grandmother Ramsey attended a Baptist church in Rhode Island that has recently observed its one hundred and seventy-fifth birthday."

"Church," interrupted Robin, "Did they go to church then?"

"Of course they did, Robin. Folks have always gone to church," Rose Ellen assured him.

"Yes, son, I think they probably went to church more faithfully then than we do now," his mother added. "Tell us something about the way they did, Mother. Did they act just like we do?" Martha's curiosity was aroused.

"No, not very, Martha. Their dress and customs and manners were very different. One hundred and seventy-five years can bring many changes."

"How, Mom? Tell us," eagerly begged Robin, while his sisters quickly seconded his request.

"Well," Mother began, "when Sunday morning came around, the whole family put on their very best in preparation for church. The women's dress may not have been so fine, but they were dignified and modest. Their skirts reached to the floor; even the little girls wore long dresses."

"Boy, what a riot one of these knee length dresses would have caused," Robin broke in grinning.

Mother smiled at Robin, sitting on a stool at her feet, and continued, "Their dresses often had fissures around the neck and a shawl was a part of every woman's wardrobe. Their hats were a variety of boudoir caps and poke bonnets, usually tied under the chin with ribbons."

"None of these pie pans or monkey caps, I betcha," again interrupted Robin, gleefully making fun of the present-day fashions.

"Hush, Robin, how can she tell us about it if you keep on stopping her? How did the little girls look, Mother?" Martha was impatient at interruptions.

"Very much like their mothers, dear; long dresses, poke bonnets, shawls and all. The men wore short, tight breeches with satin or brocaded coats with lace at the collar and

sleeves. If some weren't able to afford such handsome clothes, they put on their best and went to church anyway. I think the boys looked much like their fathers, like little men."

"At church the family separated and the men and boys sat on one side of the house and the women and girls on the other. Sometimes there was a low partition separating them. The congregation stood during the reading of the scripture and the sermon text and during prayer, but they sat during the singing of the hymns. An officer of the church, called the pre-center, 'lined out' the words, two lines at a time and the congregation would sing these lines in slow rhythm, and then wait for the next two lines."

"Didn't they have any hymn books?" asked Rose Ellen, astonished. "No; no hymn books and no organ or piano," was the answer.

"Did the pastor preach like ours does now?" Robin wanted to know.

"Well, not exactly, the sermon in those days lasted about three hours." Mother seemed to know all the answers. "There was an hour glass sitting on the pulpit and when the last grain of sand trickled through, a deacon would rise and turn the hour glass. When he had turned it the third time, the preacher was generally through with his sermon."

"Three hours!" exploded Robin. "Do you mean they sat there three hours?"

"At least they did in some of the churches, son."

"Well, I guess I'd have taken a nap or so," suggested Martha, the sleepy head.

"No, that wouldn't do either for if anyone went to sleep an officer would come with a long stick and prod him," Mrs. Ramsey explained.

"Well, I'm beginning to be thankful for Dr. Jones who always stops at twelve o'clock," commented Rose Ellen.

"And I'm beginning to think that it might have been a good thing if Sam Harris and Oscar Wilson could have lived then. One bop from that long stick and maybe they would have learned how to behave in church instead of pinching and pulling hair and keeping everybody around them from hearing what Dr. Jones was saying, like they did this morning in church." Robin spoke with disgust.

"What else, Mother?" asked Rose Ellen eagerly.

"That's all this time. I think I hear familiar steps," their mother answered.

The door opened and Dr. Ramsey entered. "Heigh ho," he greeted them. "We have eight minutes to get to the church. Everybody ready?"

The spell was broken, and with a rush and a scramble they were off, calling back, "Bye, Mom. Father will be back for you."

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For October and Nov. 1 to Nov. 5

Received:

Special to Orphanage:	
Elizabeth Lee	\$.05
Story Hour, Columbia Baptist Church	.73
Martha Addie Gregory	.10
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Colorado J. L. Club	2.00
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F. L. S.	3.00
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DR. GEORGE W. SADLER

Dr. George W. Sadler was for some years one of our missionaries to Africa. For the past few years he has been Foreign Mission Secretary to Europe and Africa. He comes to us with a burning message which will be full of information regarding these fields of tragedy and need. He will speak twice on Thursday, morning and evening. This is the first time we have had Dr. Sadler in any of our Mississippi Training Union work and we look forward, eagerly, to having this great personality with us.

—BR—

STATE BAPTIST TRAINING UNION CONVENTION PROGRAM  
Meeting at Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, Nov. 19, 20, 21, 1941

Wednesday

- P. M.
- 4:00—Registration and Home Assignments
  - 7:00—Song Service, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Street
  - 7:30—Address of Welcome
  - 7:45—The President's Message
  - 8:00—Understand the Liquor Problem—Miss Winnie Buckels
  - 8:30—Special Music, Oxford Young People
  - 8:35—The Baptist Training Union on the Offensive—Mrs. Stanley Armstrong
  - 9:00—Moving Pictures of Blue Mountain College

Thursday

- A. M.
- 8:30—Song Service
  - 9:00—Thought for the Day
  - 9:15—Mississippi, Our Judea—Secretary D. A. McCall
  - 9:45—Clarksdale Trio
  - 9:50—Living Books—Mrs. O. M. Jones
  - 10:00—Young People's Speaking Tournament
  - 10:55—My Country and Yours—Miss Fung Ping Leung, China  
Miss Ruth Garcia, Argentina
  - 11:25—Clarksdale Trio
  - 11:30—Conquering with Christ—Dr. George W. Sadler
  - 12:05—Announcements

- Committee Appointments
- 12:30—Banquet
  - P. M.
  - 2:00—Six Simultaneous Conferences:
    - 1. Story Hour, Leaders and Children
    - 2. Junior, Leaders and Juniors
    - 3. Intermediate, Leaders and Intermediates
    - 4. Young People
    - 5. Adults
    - 6. General Officers
  - 4:15—Recess
  - 7:15—Song Service
  - 7:30—Report of Committees
  - 7:35—Junior Talent Parade
  - 8:20—Rebuilding a Broken World—Dr. George W. Sadler
  - 9:00—Moving Pictures of Ridgecrest
  - Friday
  - A. M.
  - 9:00—Song Service
  - 9:15—Bible Stories, Story Hour Members
  - 9:45—Junior Memory Work Drill
  - 10:00—Intermediate Sword Drill
  - 10:15—General Discussion on Training Union Work
  - 11:00—Highlights in the Year's Work—Minute Men
  - 11:30—We Must Enlarge
  - 12:00—Adjourn

## SIX CONFERENCES FOR THURSDAY AFTERNOON

- Training Union Officers Conference
- 2:00—Worship
- 2:15—General discussion of motives and methods of the Baptist Training Union
- Baptist Adult Union Conference
- 2:00—Worship
- 2:15—Enlarging the B. A. U. Membership—
  - a. Enlisting Church Leaders
  - b. Enlisting Individual Results
  - c. Congenial Grouping into Union
- 3:00—Increasing the Efficiency of the Union—
  - a. The New Standard of Excellence
  - b. The President's Program
  - c. The Secretary's Report Made Vital
  - d. Between Sundays
- 4:15—Adjourn

## Baptist Young People's Union Conference

- 2:00—Worship
- 2:15—Enlarging the B. Y. P. U. Membership—
  - a. Enlisting the Young People
  - b. More than one B. Y. P. U.
  - c. Department Officers
- 3:00—Increasing the Efficiency of the Union—
  - a. The New Standard of Excellence
  - b. The Adult Counselor
  - c. The President's Program
  - d. The Secretary's Report Made Vital
  - e. Between Sundays
- 4:15—Adjournment
- Intermediate Union Conference
- 2:00—Worship
- 2:15—Intermediate Methods Conference—
  - a. Intermediates 13-14 Year Unions
  - b. Intermediate 15-16 Year

Unions  
c. Leaders of All Intermediate Unions

- 3:15—Assembly—Demonstrating the Monthly Committee Meetings
- 3:55—Conferences on Personal Life Problems
  - a. Intermediates
  - b. Leaders—"Meeting the Needs of the Individual"
- Junior Union Conference
- 2:00—Worship
- 2:15—Junior Methods Conference—
  - a. Juniors 9-10 Year Unions
  - b. Juniors 11-12 Year Unions
  - c. Leaders of All Junior Unions
- 3:10—Assembly—Demonstration of Weekly Meetings
- 3:35—Conferences on Character Building Problems—
  - a. Juniors
  - b. Leaders—"Helping Boys and Girls to Grow"
- Story Hour Conference
- 2:00—Worship
- 2:15—Demonstration of Story Hour Meeting
- 3:00—Conference for All Story Hour Leaders
- 3:00—Play Time for the Boys and Girls

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## SURMISING ON THE "SECOND COMING"

One of the greatest subjects of speculation since the Ascension of Christ is the "Second Coming." Some if the Apostles looked for his return in their day. Some Christians down through the centuries have expected his return in their time. Many Christians in the early centuries while undergoing great persecution from Rome fitted the Roman emperors into the "Beast" categories of Daniel and Revelation and expectantly waited. Many also reasoned that it was not near. Both schools exist today. Many seem to be of an attitude that "if it happens, I want to be ready," but seem to be actually prejudiced against it. I think sometimes that ones' satisfaction or dissatisfaction with their situation in life has a lot to do with whether or not they hope for a change.

Many Christians seem to regard it as a taboo subject, one that they should know nothing of, passing it off with "no one knows the day nor the hour" ignoring the adjacent verses, Matthew 24: 32, 33. The 24th Chapter of Matthew is one of the most significant and basic on the Second Coming, for it is Christ's own prophecy.

A book which rings true to me on the subject is "The Mystery of God's Wrath" (Baptist Book Store) by Dr. Drure F. Stamps, Th. D., Louisville Seminary, and Southern Baptist Missionary in North China. The book was copyrighted in 1936. It deals with the Book of Revelation and related prophecies. He names Hitler the Antichrist when written. He says there is to be two and a quarter years from the time the Antichrist survives a "death-stroke" to the end of hostilities and three and one half years to the Second Coming of Christ. A synonym of death-stroke or slay is "to sacrifice." Can "to sacrifice" be construed as "to martyr"? If so, the Munich Beer Hall bombing fulfills that point, October, 1939.

Some Chapters of Ezekiel which seem to pertain to the time preceding the Second Coming are the 37th, 38th and the 39th. If so, and if we are in those times, then it reads to me that

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Hitler will meet his doom in Palestine and he may head in that direction this winter.

Dr. Stamps sets forth that the Christians who are living at the Second Coming will continue on in the present state in the Millenium under the direct reign of Christ. The Bible reads that way to me.

Without using more space in the "Record" let me suggest that if you are interested in the subject that you get the book and study it yourself.

A. Pilgrim.

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**JUNIPER GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
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For several months we were without a pastor and in August the church extended a call to Rev. Otis D. Ashworth who has a splendid record in this county as a leader, a builder and a pastor. Brother Ashworth asked the church for time to consider the call and pray over the matter and our hearts were made glad when he accepted the call and promised to be on the field by the first of September.

Under his consecrated and energetic leadership our church has taken on new life. Efforts are being made to enlarge the Sunday School, Brotherhood, W. M. U., and B. T. U. The mid-week prayer service attendance is increasing and a choir practice is held after prayer service each Wednesday night under the direction of Brother Clinton Smith.

Since Brother Ashworth's coming there have been fourteen additions to the church. Sunday was a great day with us and the Lord verily opened the windows of heaven and poured out on us a real spiritual blessing. We had five additions at the evening service as a result of the pastor's messages during the past few weeks. His messages are Biblical, inspiring and up-lifting. Brother Ashworth preaches the Bible with exceptional ability and with a burning desire for the lost; a great love for lost souls; for Christ; for the church; always making Jesus the center of his messages.

We are now in the midst of a "Church Loyalty Campaign," attendance is growing and spiritual interest is increasing with each service. Our people have been challenged to give of time, talents, life and material

things to the service of "His Vineyard." The people have responded to this Loyalty Campaign and the Lord is blessing us daily. Many families have erected family altars and each Sunday more names are added to our Daily Bible readers.

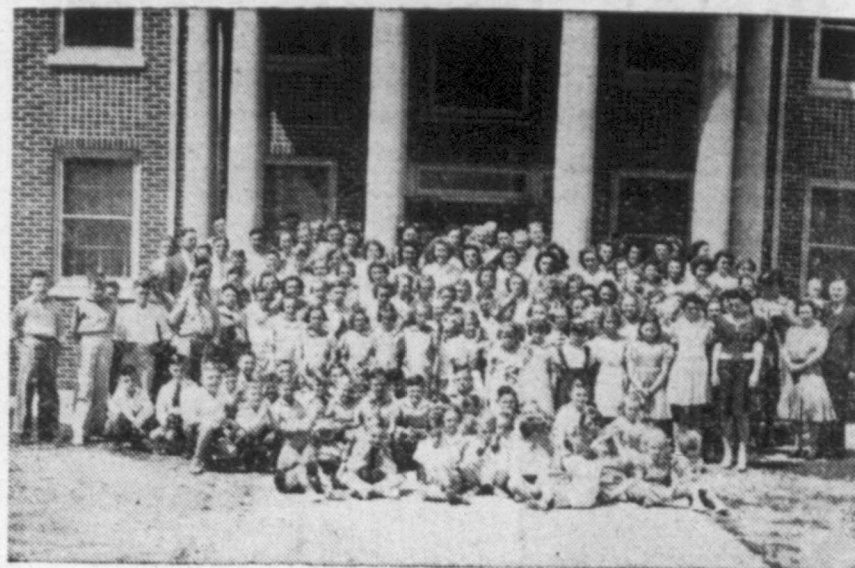
One of the greatest aids to the church since the arrival of our new pastor is the installation of a gas heating system. Now each department has its own heating unit and of course this will add to the comfort of all. The church treasurer reports that both months we have gone over the top with our budget.

The church has now launched out on a beautification project. Clean-up days have been held and much has been accomplished toward the attractiveness of the church and grounds. The Brotherhood and the ladies of the W. M. U. have started the painting of the department rooms, and seat covers and some curtains are to be placed in these rooms through their efforts. A work period is held each Tuesday night and both the men and ladies have responded fine in the beautification work. Plans are also being made to place railings on the entrance to the church. This will add to the beauty as well as to the safety of it.

The following list are the splendid officers of the different departments that will serve with Brother Ashworth this year:

A. O. Amaker, superintendent of the Sunday School; Edgar Smith, assistant superintendent of the Sunday School; Billy Smith, general secretary; Leo Burke, men's class; Clinton Smith, assistant teacher men's class; Mrs. Walter Ladiner, ladies' class; Mrs. Russell Smith, assistant teacher ladies' class; Miss Luciell Horton, teacher young people's class; Miss Johnson, assistant teacher, young people; Mrs. Curtis Smith, intermediate class; Mrs. Leo Burke, assistant teacher intermediate class; Mrs. A. O. Amaker, teacher junior class; Mrs. W. C. Smith, assistant teacher, junior class; Miss Helen Hunt, teacher primary class; Mrs. R. N. Williams, assistant teacher primary class; Mrs. O. R. Smith, teacher beginners class; Mrs. Edgar Smith, assistant teacher, beginners class; Clinton Smith, choir director; Miss Helen Hunt, pianist; Mrs. A. B. Nicholson, assistant pianist; Otis R. Smith, church clerk and treasurer; Clinton Smith, Brotherhood president; Mrs. Oscar Smith, W. M. U. president.

Paul Kirkland, director, B. T. U.; Miss Ethel Barnett, assistant director; Miss Johnson, young people's leader; Miss Luciell Horton, assistant



**The children of the Baptist Orphanage. Your Thanksgiving contribution will help with their support.**

#### **DR. J. E. GWATKIN**

Dr. James Edward Gwatkin, member of the faculty of the Baptist Bible Institute since the founding of that institution, died at the Baptist Hospital in New Orleans, Monday, October 27, after a prolonged illness.

Dr. Gwatkin was born March 19, 1866, in Bedford County, Virginia, and received his college education at the University of Virginia. He was graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, with the class of 1899. For three years he served as associate editor of the Baptist Argus of Louisville. Following that he was pastor of churches, first in Virginia, and later in Oklahoma and Colorado. He was ordained at Charlottesville, Virginia, while a student at the University and was married to Miss Rebecca Willis of Locust Dale, Virginia, who survives him.

In June 1918 the late Dr. B. H. De-

young people's leader; Mrs. Curtis Smith, intermediate leader; Miss Eva Smith, assistant intermediate leader; Miss Helen Hunt, junior leader; Miss Helen Smith, assistant junior leader; O. R. Smith, Jr., secretary.

Under the able leadership of Prof. Amacker the Sunday School is increasing in attendance each Sunday, and much interest is being shown for the approaching year. With this splendid group of teachers we look for a great year in the Sunday School.

Brother Clinton Smith is leading the Brotherhood in a fine program. The Brotherhood has a contest on now and each service brings more fine men.

Mrs. Oscar Smith, the new president of the W. M. U., has a great program outlined and we will be hearing from them all this year. The ladies have a way of doing things, and with Mrs. Smith you just can't sit still.

Although Brother Ashworth has only been with us two months he has sure started things to moving, he has proved to be a great leader, and a splendid builder, both material and spiritual. We feel that under his able leadership our church will accomplish much this year and we are so glad that the good deacons of our church prevailed on Brother Ashworth to come our way. We ask the prayers of all people that we grow in His work and cause.

Ment invited Dr. Gwatkin as the first one to help him launch the newly established theological and Christian training school, the Baptist Bible Institute. For the first few years Dr. Gwatkin acted as business manager and did but little teaching. Later he devoted all of his time to teaching and for the past six years has been Institute Librarian with marked success.

Funeral services were held in Managan Chapel Tuesday, October 28th. They were conducted by Rev. Cecil V. Cook, Jr., pastor of the Napoleon Avenue Baptist Church, of which Dr. Gwatkin has long been an active member. A former pastor, Dr. Houston Smith of Bossier City, La., assisted. Members of the Institute faculty participated in the program and acted as honorary pallbearers. His body was placed in Hope Mausoleum, New Orleans.

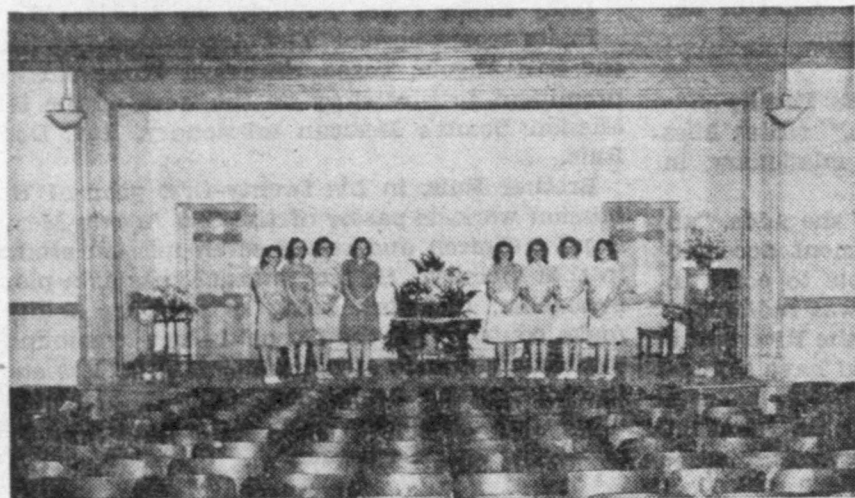
Those who knew and labored with "Uncle Jimmy" most intimately appreciated his integrity, his fearless devotion to the cause of Christ, his abounding faith, never failing cheerfulness and sincere humility. By his gift of a fully equipped printing plant to the Institute as a memorial to his father and the father of Mrs. Gwatkin, and two buildings, one to house the Music Department of the Institute and the other as apartments for married students, he demonstrated his love and devotion to the school he helped to found and which he served so acceptably. Greater still, the impress of his life upon students will be fully revealed in eternity.

Dr. Gwatkin was intensely interested in temperance. For several years he was vice-president of the Louisiana Anti-Saloon League and was a member of the board of trustees at the time of his death. Dr. Gwatkin was a poet of widely known ability. Two of his poems were read at his funeral services. Of him it can truthfully be said that God has called to his eternal reward a great and a good man. Much to his regret Dr. W. W. Hamilton was unable to be present for the funeral, being out of the city on engagements connected with his position as president of the Southern Baptist Convention. To Dr. Gwatkin can be given much credit for prevailing upon Dr. Hamilton to become pastor of the St. Charles Avenue Church of New Orleans, which position led to his accepting the presidency of the Institute.





A scene in the Baptist Orphanage Dining Room which takes place three times a day, 365 days a year. Some 175 boys and girls, together with the matrons and other workers, have their meals in this central dining hall. When making your Thanksgiving offering remember it takes a lot of food to satisfy the hunger of growing boys and girls.



A group of eight girls who live in the Orphanage. This picture was made in Byrd Memorial Chapel.

#### MORE THAN A STUDY IN ENGLISH

Lost: Green fountain pen by a man half full of ink.

Special sale of apples and chestnuts. Come in the morning, the early bird gets the worm.

Wanted: Energetic housekeeper who can milk cows, to keep house for one.

Any one found near my chicken house at night will be found there the next morning.

Wanted: A writer with a sense of humor who will not be funny around the office.

Lost: A five dollar note by a working woman tied in a knot.

Wanted: A man with horse sense to drive a motor truck.

A patent medicine manufacturer received the following letter from a satisfied customer:

"I am very much pleased with your remedy. I had a wart on my chest, and after using six bottles of your medicine, it moved to my neck, and now I am using it for a collar button."

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George was reading to his wife an exciting newspaper report of a fire. "And, my dear!" he cried, "one poor woman had to escape down a water-pipe at the back of the house."

"Oh," sighed his wife, "how splendid to be as thin as that!"

#### ORDINATION

Peach Creek Church, Panola County, October 26 ordained Brother J. E. Bailey, Jr., to the gospel ministry. He has been a member here for several years, recently taking training at Moody Bible Institute. He is a young man of steadfast purpose and great zeal. The examination was led by Brother Wallace Parnell. The Executive Council consisted of Brethren Jim Spikes, Wallace Parnell and Wm. Bailey, who recommended him to the church for ordination. The prayer was led by the pastor. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. M. Spikes. Prayer also by Rev. Wm. Bailey. In addition to the preachers, the following deacons participated: Floyd Parnell, D. R. Boone and Jas. E. Bailey, Sr., father of the candidate. The charge was delivered by Rev. Jim Spikes. Closing prayer by Jas. E. Bailey, Sr. Brother Jas. Bailey, Jr., has been called to New Hope Church of Lafayette County and we commend him to all the brotherhood.

Signed,

WM. E. BAILEY, Clerk.

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## ORPHANAGE SPECIAL

The Railroads as Usual Will Furnish Free Transportation for Thanksgiving Donations for the Orphanage This Year.

### Here Is the Schedule:

#### GULF, MOBILE AND NORTHERN:

Load at all points on Tuesday, November 25th, starting from the North at Brownsfield and from the South at Sandy Hook; also Evan-ton, McLain, Lucedale and all points into Laurel.

#### GULF TRANSPORT COMPANY:

Load at all points on Tuesday, November 25th. Originating at Cal-houn City and other points into Houston. These shipments will then be delivered to Jackson by Gulf, Mobile and Northern.

#### MOBILE AND OHIO:

Start at Corinth, Monday, November 24th, and work to Meridian; Start at State Line Monday, November 24th.

#### COLUMBUS AND GREENVILLE:

Load Columbus to Winona and Greenville to Winona, Monday, November 24th. (Shipments will be picked up here by Illinois Central.)

#### MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL:

Load Hattiesburg to Brookhaven, also Natchez to Brookhaven, Monday, November 24th. (Shipments will be picked up here by Illinois Central.)

#### ILLINOIS CENTRAL SYSTEM:

(Including Y. & M. V. and G. & S. I.) Start at Lakeview, Horn Lake, Holly Springs, Aberdeen, Meridian, Laurel, Gulfport, Osyka, Centre-ville and Natchez, each on Tuesday, November 25th, and work to Jackson.

**PLEASE SEE THAT ALL PACKAGES ARE WELL WRAPPED AND MARKED PLAINLY FOR PROPER INSTITUTION. ALL SHIPMENTS FROM NOVEMBER 18th THROUGH NOVEMBER 30th WILL BE HANDLED WITHOUT ANY CHARGES.**

### Some Suggested Items Needed

Canned goods, lard, rice, grits, sugar, baking-powder, flour, meal, oatmeal, dry cereals, salt, pepper, spices, salmon, English peas, pork and beans, corn, soda, flavorings and extracts, jello, pineapple, hominy, eggs, chickens, soap—toilet and laundry, toilet paper, washing powder, starch, Sunbrite or Lighthouse cleanser, brooms, mops (oil mops and scrubbing mops) furniture polish, sheets, bedspreads, towels, all types and sizes of clothing, shoes, etc., for both boys and girls.

Farm Produce: All types of canned fruits, vegetables, meats, etc., Syrup, chickens, eggs, sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes, peanuts, pecans, dried peas and beans. Hay, corn, oats, cottonseed meal, hulls, dairy feed and any other types of farm produce.





Chinese in a mission Sunday school. The Board has work among the Chinese in San Antonio, El Paso, Phoenix and Norfolk. In El Paso a language school recently opened is a great aid to the work.

#### NEWS AND TRUTHS ABOUT OUR HOME MISSION WORK

J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary-Treasurer  
Joe W. Burton, Publicity Secretary

##### Indian Students Show Baptist Preference

An increased enrollment of students of Baptist preference in the Albuquerque Indian School has encouraged Rev. C. W. Stumph, Home Board missionary.

The return of many former students who attended Baptist services plus a large number of new students who have indicated a desire to be in the mission meetings sponsored by Baptist workers make the largest Baptist group on the campus in years.

At the beginning of each school year, the Missionary explains, the Indian boys and girls indicate by signing a card their desire to attend weekly Baptist services, and those who thus sign constitute the Baptist group. The attendance at all mission services on the campus during the year is made up from this group.

Brother Stumph adds that students as well as other Indians on the fields in New Mexico are looking forward with much interest to the Christmas season.

##### Teacher-Missionary Has Busy Schedule

Sixty-seven students are enrolled in the Bible and religious education courses taught by Rev. J. Oscar Lee, Home Board teacher-missionary in Virginia Union University.

Four student candidates for the Bachelor of Divinity degree have been placed in churches under supervised field work. Ten students are studying for the Bachelor of Theology degree.

The teacher-missionary has also started extension classes for ministers in Charlottesville and Falls Church, Va. Both classes have been studying church administration.

The evening school for ministers, which is held on the campus at Virginia Union University, opened on October 20, with eighteen students. The school meets three evenings a week for a period of seven and one-half months. The curriculum offered the first semester includes church administration, Biblical interpretation (Old Testament) and English composition.

In addition to these responsibilities, Brother Lee is serving as advisor for the student government association, chairman of the faculty committee on guidance and chairman of the student's organization committee.

##### Chinese Mission Opens Language School

On the Chinese mission field at El Paso, Texas, the Home Mission Board, through its missionaries, Misses Viola Campbell and Mary Etheridge, is opening a Chinese language school.

After much prayer that the Lord would guide them in the matter the missionaries have selected a young Chinese who has been attending church in San Francisco. The school is to be under direct

control of the mission with a devotional period at the beginning of each day in the classroom led by the missionaries.

According to Miss Campbell, many children who do not otherwise come to the mission for any of the services will be reached.

"We are praying," said Miss Etheridge, "that the homes heretofore closed to the Gospel may come to know of the saving power of Jesus Christ."

##### State Convention Hears Chinese Children

The children of the Chinese Sunday school deepened the interest of American friends in home missions when they appeared on the program of the annual meeting of the Arizona Woman's Missionary Union in October. After the service a young Christian school teacher volunteered to teach one of the classes in the Chinese Sunday school.

A Halloween party was sponsored by the young people of the Chinese Sunday school. Members, workers and Chinese parents and friends were invited. The parents expressed their appreciation to the Home Board workers there for giving their children "a good time in the right way."

##### Bible Reading Leads to Conversion

A Spanish man who has been a Christian only a few months brought three other adults to Christ, reports Miss Pauline Cammack, Home Board worker in New Mexico. A Spanish mother whose children were led to Christ during a vacation Bible school, began reading the Bible in her home since she was unable to attend any of the services. A few weeks ago she was able to attend a service at the mission and made a public profession of her faith in Christ and asked for baptism.

##### Mother's Last Request Denied By Family

"These are sad days in our lives," writes Miss Christine Garnett, Home Board missionary in Consolacion del Sur, Cuba.

"One of my dearest friends here," she adds, "an elderly lady of the aristocratic element accepted Christ as her Saviour. Not ever able to come to church because of poor health, she was radiant as I talked to her of the Land Beyond the River. She made me promise her that she would have a Baptist funeral. One of her daughters who believes in the real Christ was to send me a telegram should her mother die while I was away in a vacation Bible school.

"During my absence from the city my elderly friend died, but no one would hear to her daughter sending for me. Some Baptist friends visited the home and the daughter told them that I was the only one who would be able to use my authority in carrying out her mother's wishes. She was helpless to do anything and arrangements were made as others ordered.

"So my dear old friend was carried away under the ringing of Catholic bells, the burning of extra candles, chanting and last unctions.

"It is such an uphill business, this of getting a living Christ into the hearts of a Catholic people."

##### Penitente Procession Amazes Missionary

Upon their return home one evening from a service in a Spanish-Indian home, Miss Pauline Cammack, Home Board missionary, and her fellow-workers saw a Penitente procession approaching down the road. They turned off the highway and stopped to let it pass on its return from a Rosario service in a Spanish home to their *morada*, or church.

Nine men formed the procession, some carrying lanterns as they sang their chant along their way. The man leading the procession carried an image called "Sangre de Cristo."

From a saloon and dance hall, two girls who only a short time before had been in the mission service, came to stop the procession, each in turn kneeling to kiss the feet of the image, then returning to the dance hall to the tunes of the nickelodeon as the chant of the Penitentes faded out in the distance on their pathway to the *morada*, the resting place of the "Sangre de Cristo."

##### Wayward Christian Returns to Lord

Some years ago in the first revival held after Miss Minnie Berry, Home Board missionary, came

to the field at Vicco, Ky., a young man accepted Christ, joined the church and was baptized.

Soon afterwards he conducted his first prayer service. Just before he read the Scripture lesson, after having led the singing, he said, "I'm ignorant and unlearned, but I love the Lord and want to serve Him since He has been so good to save me."

He was sincere. For several months he was zealous for God's work among the mountain folk.

Several months later, because of home conditions that brought disappointment and discouragement, he yielded to the temptation to drink.

Although he indulged only a few times, he became discouraged and despondent because he had always been temperate. He began staying away from church.

His mother, a devout church member, was greatly burdened for him. Frequently she asked for prayers for him and often came to the home of the missionary to pray for him.

"All we can do is pray," she said, "and we'll just leave it with the Lord."

In God's own way conditions at home were changed and the prayers of those who had prayed so earnestly were definitely answered. The man has come back to the church and is once again assisting with the mission work.

In a prayer service near his home he touched the hearts of those present by his sincerity and earnestness of his petition, as he expressed gratitude to God and pledged himself anew to the Lord and His cause. His little children are in Sunday school now. His mother rejoices greatly in God's gracious answer to her prayers.

##### Daily Paper Gives Publicity on Mission Work

In its recent special "Get Acquainted Day" issue the San Angelo, Texas, *Standard Times* carried a prominent feature story on the work of the Home Mission Board's Mexican missionary, Rev. Donato Ruiz.

Brother Ruiz, in his twenty-first year of Home Mission work, is pastor of the San Angelo Mexican Baptist Church and serves seven mission churches in that vicinity. He has unusual gifts as a pioneer evangelist, his work being marked by ability to make contacts for the Gospel in new communities, patient endurance of hardships and tireless energy in constant travel and preaching. He has baptized more than 5,000 believers into the Baptist churches of Mexico and the border.

##### Two Sisters Won by Visiting Missionary

On a recent Saturday morning Miss Helen Lambert, Home Board missionary to the foreigners and a young girl, who is a volunteer worker among the Spanish, visited several Spanish homes in East St. Louis. Before going they had prayer that God would lead them where He wanted them to go and that the Holy Spirit might prepare the people for their coming.

A young Spanish girl who had been very indifferent, was very tender and responsive and listened eagerly as the missionaries pleaded with her to accept Christ as her Saviour. With little hesitation she knelt with them in prayer and yielded her young life to the Saviour. How happy she was, and her mother, already a Christian, rejoiced with her.

They read the Bible together, sang and prayed. The mother was telling the missionaries that her little eight-year-old daughter had come home from church one day in tears, saying she wanted to be saved. Just as the visitors were leaving this home the little girl came skipping into the house. Miss Lambert began talking to her about giving her heart to Jesus. A serious expression came over her face as she said that she did want to give her heart to Jesus. They knelt in prayer, and Caroline prayed and accepted Jesus as her Saviour. When the child arose, she was smiling through her tears.

##### Conducts Revival In Cemetery

In a rural community of Mississippi in which there was no church building, Home Board Missionary Percy Ray conducted a revival meeting at the cemetery. During the meeting enough money was raised to build a brick veneer church.

A tent meeting in another rural section with the nearest church four miles away, Brother Ray reports, brought sixty-eight professions and the organization of a church of seventy members with enough money to build a brick veneer church.